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FINAL REPLY TO GOTOH CHARGES

Attorney-General Disposes of Groundless Charges Circulated Regarding Matter During Provincial Campaign

QUESTION OF SETTLEMENT IN THE RAILWAY BELT

Resolution Introduced Into the Legislature Dealing With This—Pending Legislation and Notices of Motion

The natural desire of the members to get away for the week-end, coupled with the fact that consideration of the Speech had perhaps slightly exhausted the energies of the oratorical members, made yesterday's session of the Legislature comparatively short. In the hour-and-a-half during which the House was in session, a number of government measures were advanced, in addition to which Mr. Tisdall presented his resolution looking to an adjustment of conditions with respect to agricultural lands within the railway belt, so as to secure an early development of these areas as contributors to the markets of the Coast cities in essential food supplies usually considered as by-products of the farm. The facts and arguments incident to the subject matter of the resolution were effectively divided between the mover and the seconder of the resolution, Mr. Mackenzie of Delta, the latter of whom devoted himself specifically to the unfortunate position of the interested settlers, unable after fifteen or twenty years of effort, to secure titles to their properties.

The other and specially interesting feature of the session presented itself very shortly before the rising of the House, when Hon. Mr. Bowser took occasion as a matter of privilege to direct attention to the attacks upon his personal honor that had been made during the late campaign by Mr. Duncan Ross, and also the late leader of the Liberals in this province, Mr. John Oliver, in connection with a certain contract for the employment of Japanese railway labor, made with one Gotoh. The late member for Delta had not taken advantage of his opportunities while a member of the House to present the matter in the Legislature, but afterwards in the campaign had made and repeated charges that were devoid of fact. He (the Attorney-General) had at the time specifically denied that either he or his business firm had drawn up or had ought to do with the contract referred to, and his assurance had evidently satisfied his own constituency, as the vote attested. It had, however, afterwards come to his knowledge that a gentleman at present in the employ of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. had drawn the so-called Gotoh contract, and he had accordingly written to him as follows:

Letter to Agent.

W. F. Broughton, Esq., Right of Way Agent, C. P. R., Vancouver, B. C.:

Dear Sir—I was informed after the late election in Vancouver that you had stated to a mutual friend that in your cantract between the C. P. R. and Mr. Fuyera Company, as represented by Mr. S. Gotoh, in connection with his company supplying the C. P. R. with certain workmen in this province and that in drafting that agreement you took as your basis an old contract which the Fuyera company had with the Northern

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GRECIAN CONSTITUTION

Political Parties and Military League Agree to Bring About Revision

ATHENS, Jan. 28.—An agreement was reached today by the Theotskis party, the Rhallis party, and the Military League, to convoke the National Assembly for a revision of the constitution, with the condition that the league shall first be dissolved. The powers of the national assembly will be limited as to the sections of the constitution to be revised, and no interference with the royal preogatives will be permitted. It is believed that King George will agree to this plan. A new ministry, it is expected, will replace the present Mavromichalis cabinet tomorrow.

VICTORIA'S BIG INCREASE

Bank Clearing Returns Show This City Leads in Percentage Gain

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Bradstreet's weekly bank clearings show the following figures:

Victoria, $1,828,000, inc. 71.0.
Montreal, $41,180,000; inc. 37.1.
Winnipeg, $13,577,000; inc. 21.3.
Ottawa, $3,571,000; inc. 19.6.
Halifax, $1,924,000; inc. 12.0.
St. John, $1,385,000; inc. 8.5.
London, $1,124,000; inc. 16.8.
Edmonton, $895,000; inc. 25.7.
Toronto, $28,856,000; inc. 18.5.
Vancouver, $6,843,000; inc. 72.2.
Quebec, $2,095,000; inc. 8.8.
Hamilton, $1,126,000; inc. 26.2.
Calgary, $2,126,000; inc. 63.7.

AN OTTAWA RUMOR

Alleged Petition From Dawson to Have Governor Henderson Recalled

OTTAWA, Jan. 28.—There is a report current in the lobbies today that a petition from Dawson asking for the recall of Alexander Henderson, governor of the Yukon, is on its way here. There is no information obtainable respecting the matter and Yukonites here will not discuss it.

It is unlikely that any action will be taken by the cabinet until the alleged petition reaches the capital.

SAYS HE VIOLATED MINERS' CONTRACT

International President Lewis Accused of Protecting Coal Companies — Hot Words Among the Leaders

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 28.—"International President Lewis protected the coal companies, not the miners, in calling off the recent strike in the Pittsburg district," said Francis Feehan, president of the Western Pennsylvania district of the United Mine workers of America in the convention of the organization today. Vice-President Bittner of the Pittsburg district, supporting Feehan, charged Lewis with having brought about a settlement of the strike, in violation of the miners' contract with the Pittsburg Coal Company.

"That is untrue," shouted Lewis.

"I challenge the president," retorted Van Bittner, "to resign if I prove my charge. If I cannot prove it I will resign."

"Van Bittner has perjured himself in the Pittsburg district," said Lewis, "and on this being shown to the convention it should put him where he belongs, outside."

An excited debate ensued.

STUDIES HISTORY OF CANADIAN BANKING

U. S. National Monetary Commission Publishes an Important Monograph Based on Inquiries in Dominion

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—Today was issued the first of the important series of financial monographs resulting from the exhaustive investigations pursued in this country and abroad under the auspices of the National Monetary Commission. "The history of banking in Canada," by Roelif M. Breckenridge, whose work on that subject, published some twenty years ago, has long been recognized as authoritative. This monograph gains importance from the fact that the Canadian banking system, with its highly developed organization of branch banking, its large freedom of note issue and its circulation redemption fund, has for many years attracted attention in the United States. Some students of American banking problems have advocated the adoption of similar arrangements in the United States, and the National Monetary Commission has consequently made a comprehensive investigation of the history and actual operations of banking in Canada.

In this monograph issued by the commission today, Mr. Breckenridge has brought the history of Canadian banking down to the present time and has discussed fully the changes and developments which have taken place since the date of publication of his original volume. The monograph is replete with facts and statistics showing the growth and present condition of Canadian banks. Mr. Breckenridge shows that the Canadian system is in many respects similar to the Scotch banking system.

A sub-committee of the National Monetary Commission personally visited Canada early last fall and had interviews with leading bankers in Toronto and Montreal, the substance of which will later be published by the commission, and in addition, Dr. Joseph French Johnson, of New York university, was sent to Canada to prepare a technical report upon the methods and practices of the Canadian banks, which also will be published shortly.

RIVER SEINE NOW FALLING

Swollen Tributaries Cease Upward Movement and There Is Hope that Flood Conditions Are Ending

CROWDS OF REFUGEES SWARM TO THE CAPITAL

Tale of the Damage Cannot Yet Be Estimated—Change in Weather Proves Beneficial—Much Suffering

PARIS, Jan. 29.—It was officially stated at one o'clock this morning that the river Seine here was stationary and that its tributaries continued to fall. The situation greatly improved between one and two o'clock this morning. This in part is attributed to the change in the weather. Suddenly the clouds parted and a full moon burst out. The temperature dropped and the wind veered to the eastward. The improvement appears not to be merely temporary, and officials are convinced that the end may be in sight and that the waters will begin to recede today.

After a slow but steady rise of the flood waters throughout the day the fluvial department at midnight could only issue a statement saying that it was probable the crest of the flood would be reached tomorrow. The water has begun to fall in all the affluents of the Seine above Paris, but the passage through the city is clogged by bridges and an immense accumulation of drift, and the seething waters hourly are spreading over new areas. Choked underground rivers and sewers are bursting their confines and playing havoc with the streets, swamping more cellars and threatening more foundations of buildings.

A story of the details of the greatest flood that has swept Paris in years would simply be a repetition of what has gone before. Tonight the city presents a weird spectacle, the soldiers, sailors, firemen and police hastily constructing temporary walls by the light of camp fires and torches, in an endeavor to keep out the invading floods while pickets patrol these sections of the city, which are plunged in darkness by the bursting of the gas mains and the stoppage of the electric lighting plants.

The situation in the Place l'Opera tonight is grave. The entire territory has been roped off as unsafe. It is said also that the new Equitable Life Assurance building is in danger of collapse. President Fallieres and Premier Briand today drove in autos to the flooded suburbs, where distress is greatest, speaking words of comfort to the homeless and encouraging the soldiers and others engaged in salvage and rescue work. On their return they said that everything humanly possible was being done to aid the stricken and prevent further ravages by the flood.

Charitable organizations are cooperating with the authorities in throwing open their buildings and succoring refugees. Several convents and a number of public buildings have been equipped with military cots and bedding and transformed into hospitals. The Red Cross is performing splendid service in distributing food and clothing.

Nevertheless, numerous pitiful instances are cited of women and children who had refused to leave their homes in the submerged districts, shrieking from their windows for bread.

The number of refugees arriving here is enormous, Charenone alone sending in 36,000 who had come there from Calais and other afflicted points. Many thrilling rescues are recorded. The family of M. Barthou, former minister of public works, whose house in the Ave D'Antin is surrounded, were taken out on the backs of soldiers and rescued in boats.

Many schools are closed because of lack of heat and the municipality is considering closing all of them.

MANLESS LANDS FOR LANDLESS MEN

Commissioner Coombs Concludes Negotiations With E. & N. Railway to Bring Settlers to Vancouver Island

VANCOUVER, Jan. 28.—"We will have our first colony established at French Creek, Vancouver Island, by June, and after that we hope to continue sending a stream of sturdy British settlers to British Columbia according to our ability to handle them. And you may add this, that we hope to make it an object lesson in colonization."

This was the statement made by Commissioner Coombs, as Canadian head of the Salvation Army. Today he closed his final conference with R. Marpole upon the matter of rates, a conference highly satisfactory to the commissioner and his lieutenants as evidenced by his smiling exit from railway headquarters.

"We have one Englishman with a family of ten anxious to settle on the rich agricultural lands of Vancouver Island," said the commissioner. "That's the kind of settler British Columbia needs. The first colony will consist of about twenty families, and as the land is opened up and prosperity shines upon the venture the others will follow, some for the Mainland."

"It is manless lands for the landless man?" Commissioner. "Exactly, and by the way, it was the Salvation Army that coined that phrase."

FIGHTING IN NICARAGUA

Rumored Battle With Heavy Loses Between Madriz and Estrada Forces

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—An official telegram to the State Department from Managua says that it is rumored there that a battle has been fought between the Madriz and the Estrada forces near La Libertad, with heavy losses.

Consul Olivares, at Managua, reports that the consular messenger carrying despatches from Managua to Admiral Kimball at Corinto, has been subjected to ill treatment. On one occasion he was threatened by the train conductor and also the commandant of the port of Corinto. On several occasions he has met with threats and rough treatment.

In a telegram from Managua, dated today, it was stated that in the trial of the members of the court martial which condemned the Americans, Cannon and Grace, to death, orders were exhibited which the magistrates held to be proof that Zelaya himself was responsible for the execution of the two men. On that ground the accused were discharged.

PRINCE RUPERT INCORPORATION

Private Bill Being Drafted Leaves Method of Government to Citizens

The private bill providing for the incorporation of the city of Prince Rupert is now being drafted in this city by Mr. W. J. Taylor, K. C., and will in all probability be submitted to the legislature during the week. It is understood that the method of the city's future government will be left for determination by the citizens interested, their votes being taken as to whether an elective council, board of control or commissioners shall be the civic ruling power.

BRUTAL MURDER UP COUNTRY

Half-Breed Beaten to Death by Fishermen at Nicomen—Constables Are in Pursuit of Assailants

MISSION CITY, Jan. 28.—During a drunken row between fishermen at Nicomen, late last night, Henry Gardiner, a half-breed, was murdered, according to a report which reached here early today. The man's assailants used their fists and finally resorted to stones, leaving the lacerated, lifeless form of their victim where the row began, near the river bank. Local constables have joined the constable at Nicomen in pursuit of the assailants, who are also half-breeds, and their arrest is expected.

Trainmen's Wage Demands.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 28.—It was said here today that negotiations for the settlement of the wage demands of the trainmen and conductors of the Eastern association will be conducted in Baltimore, Md., beginning on Monday next.

Betterment in Trade.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—In the eastern part of Canada seasonable weather has bettered trade. Collections are only fair. City retail trade is quiet. Canadian business failures number 43, which compares with 40 for last week, and 42 for the corresponding week last year.

Invasion of Nicaragua.

SAN JUAN DEL SUR NICARAGUA, Jan. 28.—The government today sent the steamer Angela to the Gulf of Fonseca to intercept General Logerino, who is reported to be attempting an invasion of Nicaragua with five hundred troops. Troops were dispatched today to Chinandega and Corinto.

Suit Against Harriman Roads

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—President Taft has determined to press to a conclusion the pending suit against the Union and Southern Pacific railroads looking to a dissolution of the merger, and today concluded to deny the application of Judge Lovett, Mr. Harriman's successor, to disallow the suit.

Crisis in Hungary.

BUDA PESTH, Jan. 28.—An early rebuff was met by the recently formed Hedervary Cabinet when the Chamber this afternoon by a large majority voted a want of confidence in the ministry. The premier informed the deputies he was unable to decide immediately to dissolve parliament or resign. He then drew from his pocket an imperial rescript adjourning the house until March 4. The usual scenes of disorder accompanied the departure of the ministry from the house.

Popular Nanaimoite Dead.

NANAIMO, Jan. 28.—The death occurred at an early hour this morning of Herschel Gordon of the local customs staff. Deceased, who was 42 years of age, was the son of the late D. W. Gordon, M. P. His living relatives are his sisters, Mrs. W. Hunter and Mrs. A. E. Planta, and an uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Robb, of Comox. Though born in Comox, he has lived all his life in Nanaimo. He has been in the customs house service for 21 years and was also a member of the Native Sons. Deceased was widely known throughout the district and was immensely popular and liked by all who knew him. The funeral takes place on Sunday.

BOTH PARTIES CLAIM VICTORY

British Elections Fail to Decide Whether Country Wants Tariff Reform or Free Trade Is View of Leaders

LIBERALS BELIEVE BUDGET WILL PASS

Premier Asquith and His Ministers Discuss Contents of the Speech from the Throne —Much Speculation

LONDON, Jan. 28.—The position of the parties tonight is as follows: Unionists, 264; Liberals, 263; Laborites, 40; Nationalists, 77.

Now the electorate struggle is on the point of closing, the curious effect is seen of both parties claiming victory and both supporting their claim with plausible arguments. Broadly speaking on the question of free trade against protection it cannot be said that the election had decided anything, and it is difficult to judge whether the country as a whole is tending one way or the other.

Premier Asquith and his chief ministers are back in town, taking counsel as to the contents of the speech from the throne at the opening of parliament. The King apparently does not expect another crisis soon, or he is arranging to go abroad in March to avoid the bad weather usually prevailing in England then.

Unionist papers now are not so confident that another election in the near future would stregthen the party. The talk of necessity of reforming the House of Lords by a modification of hereditary principle is now becoming general.

A Canadian's Triumph.

The election of Donald MacMaster, eminent Montreal lawyer, in Chertsey division of Surrey, was a notable one. Mr. MacMaster was formerly a candidate in Leigh division of Lancashire, but was beaten. So popular with the ladies was Donald in that campaign that they took to kissing him, a compliment he did not appreciate, as younger men might have done. No kissing is reported to have occurred in Chertsey this time.

Speculation is active respecting the government's immediate future. The most urgent business is finance, the treasury having borrowed extensively to carry on the administration. Millions of taxes are overdue and the Liberals express little doubt that the House of Lords will pass the budget.

There will be one election held tomorrow, in the Belper division of Derbyshire.

Yesterday's results follow:

England

Leicestershire, Bosworth—McLaren, Liberal, 7,709; Fraser, Unionist, 4,427. No change.

Northamptonshire, Oubdle—Brebsey, Unionist, 5,520; Nichols, Laborite, 4,429. Unionist gain.

Surrey, Guilford—Horne, Unionist, 9,264; Methune, Liberal, 5,043. Unionist gain.

Sussex, East Grinstead — Cautley, Unionist, 6,562; C. H. Corbett, Liberal, 3,326. Unionist gain.

Cornwall, St. Ives—Corey, Liberal, 4,458; Levit, Unionist, 3,567. No change.

Scotland

Argyllshire — Ainsworth, Liberal, 4,443; Hutchinson, Unionist, 4,617. No change.

Lanarkshire South—Menzies, Liberal, 5,346; Mitchell, Unionist, 3,715. No change.

Lanarkshire Mid.—Whitehouse, Liberal, 5,972; Pickering, Unionist, 5,401. No change.

Lanarkshire Northwest — Findlay, Liberal, 9,105; Wilson, Unionist, 7,017; Robertson, Laborite, 2,160. No change.

Sutherlandshire — Morton, Liberal, 1,607; Lechiel, Unionist, 951. No change.

Wales

Cardiganshire—Davies, Liberal, 6,398; Roberts, Unionist, 2,945. No change.

Carnarvonshire, Eiffen—Davies, Liberal, 6,110; Priestly, Unionist, 1,700. No change.

Ireland

Cork Northeast—O'Brien, Independent Nationalist, 2,934; Abraham, Nationalist, 1,310. A gain for Independents.

Black Hand at Windsor.

WINDSOR, Ont., Jan. 28.—W. J. Drade, ex-mayor of Windsor, has received a "Black Hand letter" demanding $200 in cash and threatening in the event of refusal the assassination of Mr. Drake. The letter was decorated with the customary skull and cross-bones and rudely drawn coffin.

Inherits Miser's Wealth.

UTICA, N. Y., Jan. 28.—A fortune of over $60,000 is awaiting Welcome Richardson, a Pootville farmer. Mr. Richardson is a nephew and sole surviving relative of Jermiah Moynihan, a miser rag man, who died in St. Louis January 9, leaving the fortune in gold securities. Moynihan was thought to be penniless and was buried in Potter's field. Later the money was found.

Calgary Waterworks.

CALGARY, Jan. 28.—The city commissioners recommend that an additional 20 miles be added to the present water works system. The cost of this extension will be close to $250,000. This recommendation will be passed upon when the council meets next Monday night as there is a desire to immediately place the orders for the necessary material. The council will also consider a proposal to grant the old general hospital and site to the government for use as a military school.

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United States Postal Savings.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 28.—The postal savings bank bill drafted by Senators Carter, Doliver and Owen, a subcommitee of the commitee on post offices and post roads, was perfected today and was introduced in the Senate by Mr. Carter. It was referred to the post office committee and probably will be reported back to the Senate tomorrow.

COBURG, Ont., Jan. 28.—George Mancuro, the Italian laborer who shot and instantly killed two of his countrymen at Grafton on Tuesday, was today committed for trial on a charge of attempting to murder James McCormack, of Grafton. McCormack is a teamster, who came on the scene immediately after the shooting and, after being warned away by Mancuro, was fired at twice by him.

AILMENTS COMET LEAVES IN TRAIN

Dread Disease Crickinecus Complicated With Gnuts and Selkcip, According to Visiting Sky Sharp

"What do you consider will be the most striking effect of the appearance in Victoria of this new comet?" was asked of Professor Skyepyker, of Starville, D. C., the eminent astronomical sharp who is staying at the King Edward for a few days.

"In my opinion," said the eminent professor, "the main result will be what is known as crickinecus. There will probably be an epidemic of the ailment due entirely to the presence of the strange celestial visitor."

"Is this a serious illness, professor?"

"Not dangerous, not dangerous; sometimes, however, it becomes serious enough when complicated with gnuts."

"Gnuts?; is that another disease?"

"Gnuts is something which I myself discovered," answered the professor as modestly as possible. "It usually has to do with the after effects of comets, eclipses, etc. The crickinecus, however, is the really painful ailment and the main effect."

"Is there any other effect traceable to this comet?"

"Well, I may mention selkcip as another possible complication of crickinecus. Selkcip is not hard to deal with and it invariably follows. Then there is an ailment peculiar in that it is applied chiefly to us astronomers. It is called rail."

The professor, who is really a very interesting talker went on for some time to discuss the various effects of the presence in the local sky of comets. In conclusion he explained that crickinecus comes chiefly from bending the neck too far and holding the head in a cramped position for too long a period while rubbering at the place where the comet should be. This is called crickinecus because of the crick in the neck resulting.

"And what of the complications?" the professor was asked.

The professor's face took on a mysterious expression as he retreated up the hotel stair. "You mean gnuts, selkcip and rail," he asked. "Well, my son here's the secret. Spell them all backwards and they will explain themselves."

And so saying the professor hastily beat it.

FIRMS MOVE IN GOVERNMENT ST.

E. A. Morris, T. N. Hibben and Henry Young & Co. Enter Into Possession of Their New Premises

Within a couple of months at the outside those firms concerned in the shuffle of Government street properties will be settled, in the majority of instances, in larger and altogether more commodious premises. Those principally interested are E. A. Morris, the tobacconist; T. N. Hibben & Co. And Henry Young & Co., All three have moved within the last few weeks the former going two or three stores to the south on the same side of the street; the second mentioned into the block across from that occupied by it for years and the latter, while not displacing their stock, extended into the larger amount of additional space allowed through the removal of Victoria's oldest stationery institute.

Hibben Changes.

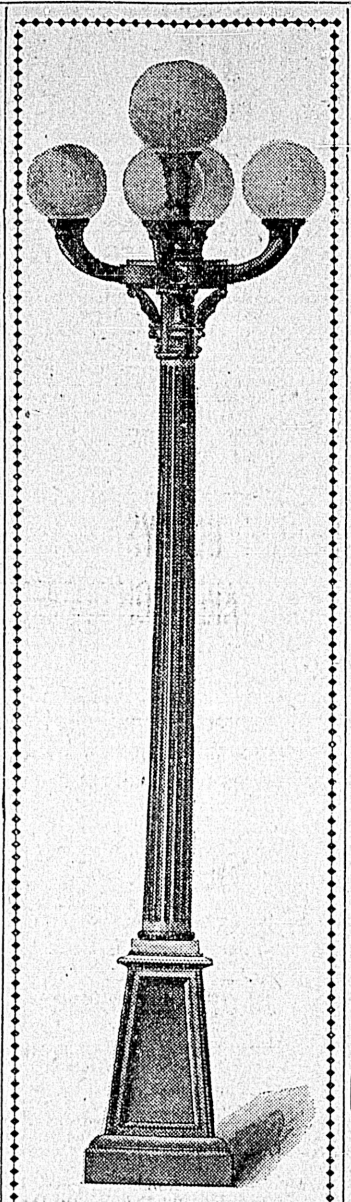
Of the trio, perhaps the most extensive improvements have been undertaken by the T. N. Hibben Co. The block which it now occupies and which formerly was known as the Colonist building has been remodelled and added to so elaborately that it would not be recognized. When the work now in hand, which involves a total expenditure of something like $20,000, is complete it will boast of four stories including the basement. The latter is being cement floored and will be utilized for the accommodation of the firm's publishing plant. The first and second floors will be occupied altogether with the exception of a comparatively small space to the front which has been leased by M. & H. A. Fox, the cutlery firm by the proprietors. The main store will be laid out in the most modern manner, a large gallery circling it, thus allowing the advantageous display of stock. In the second story, in addition to the box factory, will be a few living apartments and the top floor will be used solely for this purpose.

Young & Co., Changes.

When the plans which Henry Young & Co., have adopted for the improvement of its Government street premises have been carried through that establishment will have a frontage of seventy-three feet on the main thoroughfare and its store will run back one hundred and twenty feet, or half the block. A handsome new entrance will be built, the vestibule being laid in tile with a pillar of the same. W. Drysdale, the contractor, has been given instructions to rush the work to completion, it being the intention to have everything in shape by the first week in March. Already the company's traveller is in Europe securing a large stock of goods which will arrive about that date. The necessity of having accommodation for it and the anxiety of the management to begin business under the improved conditions early in the year explains the haste with which the changes are being prosecuted.

Ella Coming North

The steamer Ella is on her way up the coast and will arrive at this port about February 6, but it is just possible if the steamer misses her call at San Francisco she will arrive on the Sound a few days ahead of her scheduled time. On her return trip, the Ella will carry excursionists from the Sound, sailing from Seattle on Feb. 24, to Mexico and Central American ports.



Cluster Lights for Douglas Street.

The above design has been finally decided upon by property owners on Douglas and Yates streets, whereon the new system of cluster lights will be installed. The iron column will be about thirteen feet in length, of which the lower three feet will be a square base tapering towards the top. The lamp branches will be five in number, mounted with globes within which will be incandescent lights using the Tungsten light. The estimated cost is about $100 per lamp. Tenders will soon be called for a supply of the posts for Douglas street and Yates street.

Will Hold Extra Service.

In addition to the regular Sunday afternoon service held in the Pemberton chapel, Jubilee hospital, Bishop Perrin will this Sunday conduct a special service for the holy communion at 8 a. m. in the newly dedicated chapel. Communion will be administered the last Sunday of each ensuing month.

"AMUSEMENTS" MR. GALE'S TOPIC

Evangelist Gives Address on Subject to Large Audience —Closing Services of Campaign Marked by Interest

The announcement that Evangelist Gale would speak on "Amusements" brought out an unusually large crowd yesterday afternoon at the Metropolitan church.

The speaker introduced his subject by remarking that before the church can be the power that she ought to be she must settle the question of amusements. The curse of the church today is her compromise with the world. The worldliness of the church is keeping Christ outside and He says to the church: "Behold I stand at the door and knock." It is only when Christ is on the inside that the church can be a power for individual and social righteousness. The question of amusements is involved in the larger question of worldliness. Eliminate the spirit of worldliness from church members and the problem of amusements would then be solved.

The three amusements that Mr. Gale considered were the theatre, the dance and cards.

In very straight and strong, yet courteous terms he pointed out the damaging effect that these amusements are having upon the spiritual life of Christian people. Conscience is not a safeguide as to one's conduct; we must abide by the general principles and teaching of the Bible, which declares that "We cannot serve God and Mammon."

Evening Service.

A large audience gathered for the evening service when Evangelist Gale spoke on "Some of the Reasons and Excuses Men Gave for Not Becoming Christians." The chief of these was men are involved in sin and cannot or will not give it up. Cowardice, pride, the inconsistencies of Christians, were also dealt with. A large number signified their desire of beginning to live the Christian life.

No meetings will be held today until 10 o'clock this evening when all Christian people are asked to meet at the Salvation Army Barracks. A parade will take place led by the Salvation Army band, after which a mass meeting will be held in the Grand theatre, when it is hoped the non-church-going class will attend. The evangelists will speak and sing.

On Sunday the evangelists will be in the First Presbyterian church in the morning and the Metropolitan church in the evening.

SPECIAL PRIVILEGE FOR THE INSPECTOR

Bill to Amend Factories Act Prevents Inspector From Being Subject to Subpoena in Civil Litigation

The bill to amend the Factories Act of 1908, of which Hon. Mr. Bowser has given notice in the Provincial House is understood to be directed toward taking the Inspector out of the position of being subject to subpoena as an ordinary witness in civil litigation, being placed in a position of privilege, as the confidential representative, in his investigations, of the Department he serves.

It has been frequently the case in the past that the Inspector's official duties for the protection of workers are seriously interfered with by his being required to attend as a prospective witness some pending damage suit, in which he quite possibly may not be called at all, and in which he can give no directly material testimony.

He may have visited a factory and directed the attention of foreman or manager to some piece of machinery, with a remark that improvement might be made therein in the direction of safety. An accident occurs months later—and the misinterpreted remark is twisted about in casual remembrance of the occurrence, so that with the coming of a damage suit the Inspector is relied upon as an important witness. If his evidence materially assists the claimant he has antagonized the operator; if his evidence is not as the claimant desires he is regarded by that claimant and his friends as having been influenced against them.

The reports of the Inspector are intended to assist the Department of Justice in carrying out the laws, and it is urged with reason that he should therefore be in a privileged position, and not amenable to the general rules under which attendance as a witness may be demanded.

CAUCUS CONSIDERS SCHOOL ACT CHANGES

Bill Amending the Public School Act Has Interesting Provisions—Vancouver Suggestions Not Accepted

Although contained within three short pages, the bill to amend the Public School Act of British Columbia of which the Minister of Education, Hon. Dr. Young, on Monday gave formal notice and which will probably be introduced in the Legislature on Monday, contains provision for notable advance along the lines of popular and practical education in the public schools of British Columbia.

In connection, preliminarily, with the efficient working out of the Normal school and its model departments, it is proposed by the Council of Public Instruction to stimulate and promote the utilization of Normal school attendance by making "such allowances for the travelling expenses of student eachers attending the Normal school as may be deemed proper."

A still further forward movement is noted in the proposal to amend Section 6 of the act as now constituted, by adding as a sub-section the following:

"To establish Superior schools in Rural Municipality School Districts, and regularly organized Rural School Districts were it may be expedient to do so, wherein may be taught the subjects peculiar to the senior grad of the Public School Course and to the junior grade of the High School Course, provided that no Superior School shall be established in any school district where there are fewer than ten persons duly qualified and available as High School pupils; and provided, further, that not more than two Superior Schools shall be established in any school district."

Manual Training.

With respect to manual training, and development of this branch of educational activity, the observations of Inspector Harry Dunnell in his last annual report appear to have fallen in fruitful soil. Mr. Dunnell in that report said:

"To use the words of Dr. W. J. Robertson—Is it worth while?' Wherever manual training has been introduced under capable teachers, it has been proved to be worth while. Has it been proved worth while in British Columbia? New Westminster, Vancouver and Victoria say 'Yes.' What do some of the other cities say? 'We see the good of the instruction and would like our children to have it, but the first year's expenses are too great.' Manual training, not being a compulsory subject or a subject necessary to qualify for entrance to the High school, is therefore not taken up. If it is worth while, then I think it should be compulsory where there are sufficient boys to warrant a school being opened, and assistance should be given to that end. If it is not worth while, then the schools at present in existence should be closed, as it is only wasting one half-day per week of the boys' time."

Amending provisions for the act contemplate the addition to Section 39 a, the following as Section 39 b:

"To the Municipal Corporation of any Municipality whose Board of School Trustees shall provide suitable accommodation, in connection with the school or schools under its jurisdiction, for instruction in manual training there shall be granted a sum amounting to not less than three-fourths of the total initial amount expended for the necessary benches, tools, material and other equipment required.

School Libraries.

Another contemplated feature of sympathetic co-operation with the local educational authorities is covered by the amendment of Section 102 by adding thereto: "Whenever a Board of Trustees shall set aside a sum of money for the purpose of establishing a school library or adding thereto, there may be granted from the Provincial Treasury a sum equal to one-half the amount so set aside, not to exceed $50 in any one year, to be expended in the purchase of books therefor."

Another new provision, the extremely practical and progressive character of which is certain to commend itself to the country as evidence of the sincere desire of the adminsitration to enlarge and improve in so far as possible all the facilities of education that may be desired by the common people, is associated with the contemplated revision of Section 3, so as to enable those who may no longer be classed as children, and who have been denied any education facilities in their childhood days to utilize their evening hours in self-improvements under conditions calculated to obtain the best results. In this connection the following will be incorporated in the act, as Sections 111 a, 111 b and 111 c:

"111 a. Where it appears that in any school district there are twenty or more persons of the age of sixteen years and upwards desirious of obtaining instruction in the ordinary branches of an English education, the Board of School Trustees may establish, under regulation issued by the Council of Public Instruction, a night-school or night-schools for their benefit.

"111 b. Every tearcher employed in any such night-school shall hold a Provincial Certificate, but a teacher employed on the regular day-school staff shall not be eligible for appointment as a night-school instructor.

"111 c. The usual percapita grant, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 17, 18, 19 and 19 a, shall be paid for each teacher employed in such night-schools; provided the school has been kept in session for at least three hours nightly on each school day of the month, and has otherwise been conducted in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the Council of Public Instruction."

School Teachers' Certificates.

With respect to the examinations for and issuance of school teachers' certificates the repeal of Section 115 of the present act is contemplated, and the substitution therefor of the following:

"115. The board of examiners shall have authority to grant certicates, the designation and validity of which shall be as follows:

"(a.) Third class valid for three years:
"(b.) Second class, valid for life:
"c.) First class, valid for life:
"(d.) Academic, valid for life:

"After January, 1911, all applicants for third class certicates must hold at least a preliminary certificate of the Provincial Normal school, or of other Normal schools approved by the council of public instruction; provided, however, that a third class certificate, supplemented by a preliminary Normal school certificate or by at least one year of actual teaching in the

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WILL CONSIDER PRIVATE BILLS

Many Measures to Come Before Committee of the Legislature Which Meets for First Time Monday

The Private Bills Committee of the legislature meets at 10 o'clock Monday morning for the consideration of the petitions of the Willow River Dredge Co.; the B. C. Packers' Association; the Vancouver Corporation; the Comox Logging and Railway Co.; the Columbia & Alaska Railway Co.; the Corporation of the District of Oak Bay; the Campbell River Power Co., Ltd.; the B. C. & Alaska Company; and the Great West Permanent Loan Co. The Railway committee, of which Mr. Macgowan is chairman and Mr. Tisdall secretary, meets Tuesday for consideration of the bills of the Port Moody, Indian River & Northern Railway; the Vancouver & Nicola Valley Railway; the New Westminster-Vancouver Terminal Railway & Dock Co.; and the Island Valley Railway Co.

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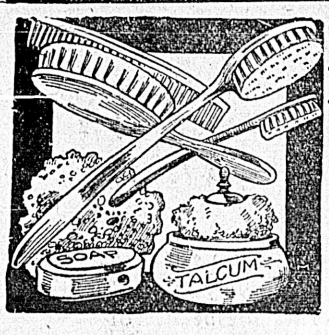

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HOW CANADIANS ARE VICTIMIZED

Methods of Fraudulent Orientals Who Purport to Collect Funds for the Church in the Far East

An interesting sidelight on the methods employed by the so-called missionaries who, with the expressed intention of collecting funds from Canadians, have from time to time canvassed various cities of the Dominion and secured large sums of money which instead of being devoted to the uses for which they are contributed are kept by the collectors.

Recently Victoria was visited by such a clerical looking foreigner, Stephen George, who professed to be soliciting funds for the aid of orphans in the Turkish dominions. George was shown to be a fraud, as arrested and later deported to Turkey. His photograph taken by the police here was forwarded by the Ottawa immigration authorities to the missionary societies in Turkey and in response to inquiries W. A. Wigram, head of the mission of the Archbishop of Canterbury to Assyrian Christians, wrote to the American consul at Trebizond stating that the head of the sect to which the collectors who frequently come to America belong is Bishop Sergius, so-called Bishop of the Chaldeans in Kurdistan. The bishop often gives letters commending the bearer to the charitable and giving his more or less authority to collect for the church in the countries to which he goes.

Always Keep Money.

The bearers of these letters represent themselves, when they arrive in this country, as collecting for church building, schools, orphanages, etc., but Mr. Wigram states that he has never known a case where money so collected was spent other than for the benefit of the collector himself, though the bishop may on occasion so far forget himself as to accept a portion of the plunder. In the district where the bishop who has been responsible for most of the letters in the possession of the fake collectors has jurisdiction there are no orphanages and such schools as exist are the property of the foreign missions. The bishop has attempted to stop this traffic but heretofore has been unable to control his colleagues who have been reaping a rich harvest through the credulity of the Occidentals.

Mr. Wigram urges that if there are any desirous of assisting missionary work they can make their contributions to some of the foreign missions, by which the money will be properly expended. Mr. Wigram believes that no prosecution of the "collectors," frauds though they are, would be of any use. In the first place the letters are generally genuine though used fraudulently, and in the second place imprisonment in a prison in a civilized country is no deterrent as the board and lodging is infinitely superior to what the collector would enjoy were he in his own country. Confiscation of the letters and money, if possible, and deportation of the collector as an undesirable alien is the course which Mr. Wigram recommends to the Canadian authorities.

IS OR IS NOT NOTICE NECESSARY?

Question of Whether Surveyor Can Dismiss Man Summarily Comes up in the Appeal Court

The strange fact that according to the alleged practice of surveyors in British Columbia a man attaching himself to a party is liable to summary dismissal without notice in the heart of a wilderness was brought out in the course of the hearing of the appeal in Andrews v the Pacific Coast Coal Mines company yesterday afternoon and was sharply commented upon by Br. Justice Irving.

H. G. F. Heisterman, who represented the company in the appeal which is taken from the decision of Judge Lampman, in county court, given in favor of the claim of the plaintiff Andrews for $105 due for dismissal without notice, stated that there was evidence of three experienced surveyors to show that it was the custom here to give no notice and expect no notice.

Mr. Justice Irving said that it was impossible to believe that in a country such as this where there was so much untracked wilderness a man could be thrown out of a camp face to face with starvation or liable to perish of exposure.

Mr. Heisterman stated that in reality such was the case. His lordship had asked if it would be possible that were a party at work on Queen Charlotte Island a man might be dismissed and left to shift for himself until a steamer happened to be leaving. Mr. Heisterman stated that such, under certain circumstances might very well be possible. He explained that owing to the danger and hardships of the work unless a man were able and willing to do his part, unless he were capable, he was a hindrance. If he were of low spirits and pessimistic temperament he might spoil the life of a whole party and therefore it was necessary that he could be dismissed at once if found wanting.

His lordship the chief justice asked Mr. Heisterman if he would not rather make his statement differently, to set forth, in effect, that while there was no law here requiring a month's notice there was a law requiring a "reasonable notice" which had here been defined by local custom to mean no notice at all. Mr. Heisterman agreed with the chief justice.

Mr. Heisterman was just concluding his argument when the court rose. The appeal will be finished Monday morning when Mr. Elliott, for Andrews, respondent plaintiff, will address the court.

Hargis Must Serve Time.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 28.—Beach Hargis must serve his sentence of life imprisonment for the murder of his father Judge James Hargis, the famous feudist. The ruling was handed down by the Kentucky court of appeal today.

Confiscates Valuable Furs

OTTAWA, Jan. 28.—The biggest seizure of furs ever made in Ottawa took place this morning at the Union depot when District Game Inspector Loveday confiscated a bale of furs valued at over $6,000. The bale contained furs of all descriptions and was consigned to the Hudsons Bay Company's headquarters in London.

Will Chime Seldomer.

TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 28.—As a result of an injunction taken out by Miss Frase who complained that the ringing of the chimes of St. James church, Stratford has caused nervous collapse, the church authorities have decided to ring the chimes every hour instead of every quarter of an hour.

FREIGHT DELAYS ARE CONSIDERED

Board of Trade Commerce Committee Submits Report Dealing With Enhancement of Prices by Combinations

A meeting of the council of the Board of Trade, at which several important matters were discussed, was held yesterday morning with Simon Leiser president, in the chair. The following were present: L. A. Genge, vice president, C. H. Lugrin, A. W. McCurdy, G. Carter, J. A. Mara, J. Kingham and J. A. Turner.

Business opened with the consideration of communications from W. C. Bowles, general freight agent, and G. E. Graham, superintendent of C.P.R. affairs in Vancouver. These were in reply to the board's complaint of the delay in handling a shipment between this city and Vancouver. The communications received showed conclusively that the complaint had been taken up vigorously by the C.P.R. officials. Mr. Graham stated that the handling of the shipment in question was inexcusable and that he had taken such action as he believed would obviate the necessity of any further complaint. The council voted its thanks for the prompt manner in which this matter had been taken into consideration. From some remarks which developed in the discussion it would appear that the handling of Victoria freight between here and Vancouver is not yet satisfactory, and the secretary was instructed to ask Victoria shippers to forward to him full particulars of every well founded specific charge of any delay to freight. The intention of the board is to press home the responsibility in every such case. It was stated that this was the only way in which a really satisfactory service could be obtained.

A lengthy discussion followed upon a communication received from the Matsqui-Sumas board of trade, containing a copy of a resolution passed by that body urging the provincial government to provide for a system of dyking in that territory. The secretary of the local board will write to Premier McBride expressing the hope that the location of the Canadian Northern Railroad will be useful for dyking purposes.

Eight Hour Bill.

A letter was received from the Canadian Manufacturers Association calling attention to the compulsory eight hour bill now before the Dominion Government, pointing out that while this particular measure is intended to apply only to government contracts it is stated by the heads of organized labor that it is a means towards an end and that they hope to bring into force the eight hour law from one end of Canada to the other. This matter was referred to the trade and commerce committee of the board.

The next business was a report from the trade and commerce committee reading as follows:

Gentlemen: Your committee on trade and commerce beg to direct attention to the speech from the throne at the opening of parliament indicating the introduction of a measure for rendering more effective the present legislation respecting combinations which unduly enhance prices.

We would submit for consideration of the board a resolution, as follows:

Resolved: That this board is of the opinion that there should be established a permanent trade tribunal with power to sit in cases of alleged trade combines, and that such tribunal should be a court of commercial men with power to hear all evidence, and as a protection to the public and manufacturers and merchants all cases involving trade relations should be tried before such commission. All of which is respectfully submitted.

This report was referred to the next monthly meeting of the board.

Trade With Stewart.

Attention was next directed to the possibilities of business with Stewart in the Portland Canal district. It was considered that this matter opened up the large question of steamer connection and mail service and it will be taken up by a committee.

It was decided that the railway and freight committee will take up with the E. & N. Railway company the matter of dispatching freight trains from Victoria during the night. Local freight at present has to be delivered at the E. & N. Station at 5 p.m. the train not pulling out until sometime the next day. The board of trade members considered that there was no reason why freight should be held up at the station, whereas by the trains running at night time all the consignees along the line could obtain their goods first thing in the morning. It was considered that there would be no great difficulty in having this request granted by the railway company.

The board has for years past been agitating for the registration of assignments of book debts. This matter will again be taken up by a special committee which will be ordered to report to the board at an early date.

The council then adjourned.

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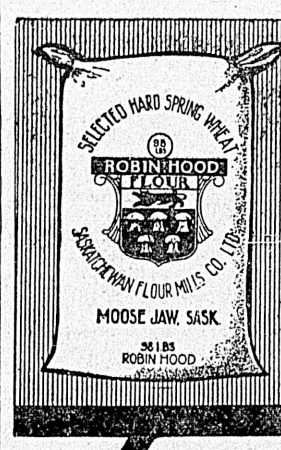

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Familiar Landmarks

View Street was never intended to run through to Government Street says D. W. Higgins

Since it was stated some days ago in the course of a news item that View street, the extension of which through to Government street has been discussed, originally did extend from Broad through to Government street, this statement has been denied by several old-time residents who are in a position to know whereof they speak. The question appeared to be of interest at this time and therefore The Colonist asked Mr. D. W. Higgins, who came here in 1858 and who has been more or less of an expert observer of events and changes ever since, to tell what he recalled in connection with the matter.

"I feel almost quite safe in saying that View street never extended through to Government street," said Mr. Higgins. "When I first came to Victoria, in '58, the property immediately opposite the present end of View street was occupied by a two-story frame building, the property of Captain Edward Stamp and it was occupied by McShane & Co., of San Francisco, ship chandlers, etc. Upstairs there was a hall which was used for theatrical performances whenever there happened to be a strolling troupe in town looking for a few odd pennies. I have attended many performances by such companies in that old hall over McShane's. On one occasion I heard a song which, strangely enough, has remained with me all these years. The performance could hardly be called high class. It was put on by a company of strolling players who came here from Oregon and were pretty much down and out. The admission was 50 cents and the hall was well filled. One of the actors sang a song, a touching, classical song entitled, 'Nell Flaherty's Duck.' There were verses and verses and to spare; but each verse concluded with the dire wish:

'May a six-year-old bug build his nest
in the lug
Of the monster that murdered Nell
Flaherty's duck!

"Two or three days after this performance I went up to Yale and I was away for three months. When I returned the old McShane building had been torn down or remodelled and had been converted into the Star and Garter hotel. Louis Davies, a brother of J. P. Davies, ran the place for a long time. Then, in 1864 or 1865, the Masons, whose hall had been over the building at Langley and Yates streets, the lower floors of which were occupied by Hibben & Carswell, stationers, pulled down the Star and Garter and erected a hall which, for the main part, is the building that stands on the site at present. The building was cut up, on the lower floors, into four stores. The Masons had their hall upstairs and it remained there until they moved, in 1878, to their present home on Douglas street. Hibben's moved into one of the stores under the former Masonic hall, forty years ago or more, and gradually absorbed all but one of the stores.

"Captain Stamp disposed of the property for $30,000 to Sir James Douglas thirty-five years ago. Prior to that Trounce alley was in existence, forming a line of communication through the Dodd property between Broad and Government streets. On part of this property, in 1860, I remember there was a small frame building where the Sisters of Ste. Anne had their nunnery and alongside it there was another small building which they used as a laundry.

"Therefore it is a mistake to say that View street ever ran through to Government street, I think. The property has been covered by buildings ever since 1858 at least and that was long before the city was organized. It was suggested several times that the lot be purchased and that View street be extended through to Government street when the permanent building was being erected on the property. The Colonist attacked the advisability of allowing this permanent structure to go up, claiming that the land should be used for the extension of the street but as I recall it nothing was ever done about the matter."

KILLED POACHER FROM THE STATES

Canadian Fish Patrol Fires on Raiders With Fatal Results —Exchanged a Fusilade of Shots

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Jan. 28.—The upper Niagara river just below Bridgeburg and Black creek, was the scene of a fusilade of rifle shots between American fish pirates and provincial fisheries Inspector Gregg. As a result of the shooting, one man named Weyand, who ran a saloon near Tonawanda is dead, being shot in the head.

For some time past pirates from the American side have been running over to the Canadian side with motor boats, dynamiting the water, filling their boats with the unlawfully killed fish and skipping back to the American side with their booty. Fishery Inspector Gregg of Bridgeburg, who has been on the alert, surprised the pirates this afternoon, three of them being in a motor boat, in the act of dynamiting the fish. With Gregg was the liveryman who drove him to the scene. Gregg commanded the pirates to pull ashore with their boat. They only laughed at him, and with words unprintable defied him. Gregg fired a warning shot in the direction of the boat to show he meant business. The pirates opened fire on Gregg, who in return sought refuge behind a tree and returned two shots at the pirates, which he is positive did not hit any of them. He claims it was after one of the pirates had fired at him the man fell to the bottom of the boat. They pulled the boat then towards Grand Island. Gregg saw them land on Grand Island. Two men left the boat shortly afterwards, returning with two others and the four men carried the body out of the boat.

An eminent sociologist says that lynching is a disease. This explains the expression, Cairo, Ill.

Count Boni De Castellane wants to marry again. To what asylum does the girl belong?

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A PROPOSED DELEGATION

It is proposed to send a delegation from the Board of Trade to Ottawa to urge the inclusion in the Estimates of the present session a sum of money to be expended immediately upon the widening of the harbor by the removal of the rocks and other material lying off the eastern front of the Songhees Reserve and the reclamation of the area immediately in the rear of the proposed improvement. Details of this project have already been given in the Colonist and need not be repeated here.

There seems to be an impression in some quarters that the sending of such a delegation is in some way a reflection upon the gentlemen at the capital upon whom rests the duty of looking after our interests; but we fail to see why that should be thought to be the case. These gentlemen are Messrs. Barnard, Templeman and Smith. Mr. Barnard is necessarily deeply concerned in anything relating to harbor improvement; Mr. Templeman, although not a representative of the city, has large interests here and represents the province in the cabinet; Mr. Smith is indirectly interested, because whatever tends to the advantage of Victoria tends also to promote the prosperity of an important riding represented by him. It is to be assumed that these gentlemen will always do what they can to promote any necessary public work; but it would be unreasonable to expect them to be fully in touch with everything of this kind, and especially such matters as have recently been brought to public attention. The annual appropriation for the improvement of Victoria harbor is quite large enough, if it is intended to proceed as the work is now being carried on, and if the city were not growing rapidly and the demand for harbor accommodation were not increasing even more quickly, there would be no need for any extraordinary outlay. Therefore the time has come for a change of policy in regard to the harbor. This matter has engaged the close attention of a special committee of the Board of Trade, and a very great deal of useful information has been obtained on the subject. It would be utterly unreasonable to expect either of the gentlemen above named to have this knowledge at their fingers' ends. No one suggests that a delegation would have more influence than our representatives. What they would have would be more information, and as the claim of Victoria rests primarily upon the merits of the case, it is highly desirable that some one should be on the ground able to give information showing what those merits are. The case is so clear that it does not admit of argument. A delegation would greatly strengthen the hands of our representatives, and with the co-operation of the Canadian Pacific, the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern, which has been promised in the case of all three companies, we feel sure that something may be accomplished. We hope the delegation will be sent. The people of Victoria ought not to expect impossibilities of their representatives, and to send on a lot of papers without having any one at hand to answer questions that are sure to arise on consideration of the papers, would be to place those representatives in no position to do justice to the city.

CO-OPERATIVE LAND CLEARING

In certain parts of the eastern provinces there was a practice among the farmers in new settlements—and perhaps there is yet—of inviting a number of the neighbors in to have a land-clearing "frolic." The owner of the land had cut down the trees and burnt the land over, and the neighbors used to help them roll the logs together so that they could be burned, and then helped him take out the small stumps. He supplied the dinner and the supper, and possibly there was a dance in the kitchen at night, and perhaps a bottle or two of whiskey in the barn, but nothing was ever said about the latter. This was an application of the principle of co-operation to land, and it might be possible now that such a success has been made of co-operative cheese-making, co-operative butter-making and co-operative fruit-selling to extend the idea, on modern lines, to land-clearing. There are acknowledged difficulties in the way of government assistance being given in the way of carrying on actual clearing operations, but it might be possible to give aid in the same manner as it is extended to other agricultural organizations. We do not think it well to expect the government to do too many things. Our people might take a lesson from their neighbors to the South in this respect. By the limitation of the state constitutions the legislature can only apply the taxes to certain specific purposes, and in consequence if anything out of the ordinary is needed, the people have to do it for themselves. In this way self-reliance is encouraged and enterprise is stimulated. We are far from opposing the suggestion that the government should assist in any feasible way in land-clearing; but we do earnestly urge that the first step ought to be taken by the farmers themselves. We hope this suggestion of co-operation in land-clearing will not be lost sight of. It is not a matter upon which a city newspaper can profess to speak with authority. It is something for practical men to deal with, and it is the consideration of such men that we invite.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM.

It is quite wrong for any newspaper to suggest to its readers that there may be some danger to the earth from the presence of a comet in the sky in such a position as to be visible to the naked eye. It is true that by a little ingenuity, by reckoning a little ahead in some cases and a little backward in others, a very formidable-appearing series of so-called coincidences between cometary appearances and important events can be made out; but the same ingenuity could demonstrate quite as effectively that the safe years are those when comets are numerous. Not very long ago the magazines used to contain long and elaborate demonstrations to establish that there was some relation between sun-spots and financial panics. Quite a good case was made out and a number of people believed in the theory, until it was found out that periods of maximum sun-spots are variable, whereas it had been claimed that they occurred every eleven years, and the theory was based on the fact that over a considerable period there had been financial panics every eleven years.

We suppose there are a lot of people who have never heard or have forgotten about Mother Shipton's prophecy, by virtue of which the world was supposed to come to an end in 1881. Failing fulfilment, the prophecy was conveniently changed so as to read 1891, and we suppose it would have been again changed to 1901, if the latter date had fitted into the metre. Many people believed such a prophecy had been made in the Seventeenth Century, and as everything mentioned in it, except the end of the world, had come to pass, it was argued that the climax would certainly come on schedule time. After the world had been fooled by the verses sufficiently the authorship of them was avowed, and it was found to be a case of prophesying after the events. Men are funny creatures and so are women. You remember perhaps the story of the girl who was somewhat suddenly kissed by her best young man. She exclaimed: "George, you scare me." Then there was silence and after a time she said: "George, scare me again." People like to be scared; and they liked to be scared again. They take a certain degree of peculiar satisfaction in being in a mild state of alarm. That is why it is wrong to paint statements suggesting that there is the least reason for supposing that the presence of a comet in such a place that it can be seen is reason for apprehension. There is not one particle of evidence that a comet ever did the earth or anything else the slightest harm whatever, and there is much evidence to show that a comet can do no harm.

In point of speaking talent the present Legislature will compare very favorably with any of its predecessors, and some persons go so far as to say that it is superior to any that ever assembled in British Columbia.

The King of Italy is to make a grand tour of Europe next summer, beginning with a visit to England. King Victor Emmanuel is a fine representative of one of the noblest houses that has ever ruled in Europe.

Mr. George E. Foster made a very spirited attack upon the patronage system a few days ago, and was especially severe in his observations upon the Senate, which he described as a refuge for "party incurables and incapables." Doubtless the abuses of patronage are productive of all manner of evil, and it would be a wise step for public men on both sides of the House to devote their best efforts to reforming them.

The Vancouver Province says that the city in which it is published has the reputation of having the dirtiest streets of any city on the Pacific Coast. We shall not dispute the proposition, but are disposed to think that if we did, we could make out a pretty good case.

The News-Advertiser pays its respects to Mr. Hawthornthwaite with a club. It thinks it would be a sad day for the province if his ideas prevailed. Fortunately there is about as much likelihood of this occurring as there is of Halley's comet playing high jinks with our Mother Earth. Mr. Hawthornthwaite is brilliant but somewhat diaphanous.

The announcement that the first Salvation Army Colony to be located on Vancouver Island, will reach here in June is very interesting, and may prove to be the beginning of a movement of very large proportions. Very much will depend upon the success of the first colony, and as no one understands this better than the officers of the Army, we may feel very sure that the initial steps will be taken with a degree of care that will prevent failure.

The weekly bank clearings, as given in another column, afford ample evidence that the volume of business throughout Canada is rapidly increasing. Reports from thirteen cities show increases in all, varying from 8.3 per cent. in the case of St. John to 63.7 in the case of Calgary, 71 per cent in the case of Victoria and 72.2 per cent in the case of Vancouver. Increases like 37.1 in the case of Montreal, 18.5 in the case of Toronto and 26.2 in the case of Hamilton, show that the expansion of business is by no means confined to the West.

A suggestion has been made to the Colonist, which we pass on to those in whose hands the adoption of it would rest. It is as follows: When a piece of macadam is laid on a Victoria street, there is no gradation in the size of the road metal used, and the surface is covered with sand and rolled down. We all know that in such cases the sand and a good deal of the ground-up rock has to be carted away in the course of a twelvemonth or so, that is such of it as the wind does not distribute with absolute impartiality upon our person and our premises. The suggestion is that the road metal shall be graded, and a layer of small size shall be placed on the top, the whole to be well rolled and no sand to be used. It is claimed by those, who profess to know, that this would make a better and more durable street than the present method.

The proposal that a commission, consisting of commercial men, shall be appointed to pronounce upon the existence of commercial combines, strikes us is exceedingly illogical. The Railway Commission does not seem to be a parallel case. It would be parallel if the commission were composed exclusively of railway men; but it is not. What the public want is not the commercial man's view of such things, but the equitable view as between dealers and consumers. If we are to have such a commission, why not go further and appoint one of, say, carpenters to pass upon all building questions, one of miners to decide all disputed mining questions and so on? The idea of establishing tribunals with special jurisdictions is one that ought to be acted on with a wise discretion. For most purposes the courts of the land are sufficient. A grand jury, a petit jury, a competent prosecuting officer and a capable judge ought to be sufficient to deal with illegal combinations in restraint of trade.

Among the matters, which engaged the attention of the Council of the Board of Trade yesterday, was the mail service from the North. It appears that all mails from points north of Vancouver are taken off the ships at that city, and any part of them intended for Victoria is forwarded to this city by the regular ferry, even though the vessel from the North may continue on her way to this point. The result is that letters from the North containing orders for goods are sometimes not delivered here until after the steamer has started on her return trip. It sometimes happens that a southbound steamer will go from Vancouver to Ladysmith or elsewhere for coal before coming to Victoria, in which case it might be better to forward the mails by the regular daily mail boat, and so no hard and fast rule can be laid down. But post office officials are more than mere automata, and it is not unreasonable to ask that they should make the necessary inquiries so as to know which is the most expeditious way of getting the mails to Victoria, in each case and act accordingly. Another matter was considered was the mail service to Cumberland and points in that vicinity, and it will be looked into with the view of providing a daily all-land service as soon as possible.

We are inclined to think that the British elections will have a sobering effect upon British public men. The contest has not been what it ought to have been, considering the gravity of the issues involved. In a recent number Punch published a series of alleged advertisements. Most of them were amusing allusions to individuals, but the last of the lot was meant seriously enough. It was somewhat as follows: "Lost in a political campaign, Truth and Dignity," and it went on to say that the finder might keep them as the owners did not appear to have any more use for them. There have been great excesses on both sides, a wild extravagance of language, appeals to passion and prejudice, personal attacks and bitter recrimination. We venture to hope that it will be long before the people of England, for it was in that part of the kingdom that the greatest extremes were resorted to, will witness just such another contest. We are sure that both sides will appreciate the necessity of settling down to a calm consideration of the great issues which must be dealt with, and that the Mother Country will come out of the recent agitation in a frame of mind that will make for calmer consideration of the questions of the day. For never in the memory of the present generation have the British people had more serious tasks before them than they have in the year of grace 1910.

Virtue and Necessity.

"Tale-bearing is a wicked vice,
I put it 'neath the ban,"
Remarked the good, high-minded cat
Born on the Isle of Man.

A Terrible Prospect.

Broke, broke, broke,
And my face so deadly pale,
For I have to inform my goodly wife
That I went to an Auction Sale.

A Chicago man has referred to one of his neighbors as "a gentleman and a scholar." Perhaps it is a hasty judgment. He might submit his proofs to a Boston committee.

It is reported that the American life insurance companies will not permit amateurs to act as agents. We may look for better sermons in the churches after this.

CARPETS

New Lines Just In

NEW SPRING CARPETS are arriving—the first shipment being received yesterday. From now on we shall be adding to this stock and we suggest frequent visits to our carpet department if you would keep in touch with the latest in floor coverings.

The new arrivals are splendid examples—they are an index of what is to come. If newness and goodness will help, this season's carpet business should excell all previous records, magnificent as they may have been. Costs nothing to come in and inspect. Get acquainted today.

New Wilton Rugs—Pretty Persian Effects

Certainly the outstanding feature of the rug display is this showing of new Wilton rugs just received yesterday. It is impossible to do their beauty justice in a description here. They are authentic copies of beautiful Persian rugs—mirroring not only in design, but also in coloring the beauty of those rich rugs. Close, minute pattern on ground of indigo, crimson or camel, with medallion centres and borders. Unquestionably the richest looking Wilton Rugs we have shown for a long time.

Size 9 x 12 ft. Each ..... **$42.50** Size 11 ft. 3 in. x 12 ft. Each **$54.00** Size 11 ft. 3 in. x 13 ft. 6 in. **$60.00**

Novio Hard-Finished Wool Rugs—Other New Arrivals

NOVIO Squares—a hard-finished wool style—are among the latest arrivals in the carpet department, the first of our Spring shipments. They embrace all the newest patterns, and we have them in greens, blues, browns and reds. Such squares are desirable for bedroom use. They are excellent wearers and are decidedly attractive in appearance. Your size is included.

Size 2½ x 3 yards, at each **$11.00**
Size 3 x 3 yards, at each **$13.00**
Size 3 x 3½ yards, at each **$15.00**
Size 3 x 4 yards, at each **$17.50**
Size 3½ x 4 yards, at each **$21.00**
Size 4 x 4½ yards, at each **$26.00**
Size 4 x 5 yards, at each **$29.00**
These will fit 'most any bedroom.

Choose Your Spring Carpets From These:

Our carpet offerings are popular with Victorians—popular for many reasons, but mainly because of the excellent qualities and the fact that the prices don't fluctuate. The first price is a fair one, and it "sticks." Coupled with expert service in the making and laying, these features have built for us a magnificent carpet trade. If you are not already numbered among our hundreds of satisfied customers, get acquainted by securing your spring carpets here. These prices spell best values:

INGRAIN CARPETS, from per yard ..... **60¢**
TAPESTRY CARPETS, from per yard ..... **75¢**
BRUSSELS CARPETS, from per yard ..... **85¢**
VELVET CARPETS, from per yard **$1.50**
WILTON CARPETS, from per yard **$1.90**
AXMINSTER CARPETS, from per yard **$1.90**

These prices are for carpets made and laid by skilled workmen.

If You Prefer a Rug, Try One of These:

For those who favor carpet squares and rugs as a floor covering we commend our present magnificent display. The most comprehensive stock in Western Canada is offered you. Hundreds of rugs, from low-priced jute to handsome Oriental. And these are shown on specially constructed rug racks, which enable us to show you the whole range in very short time.

Certainly no better choice or better values offered anywhere in the West. Back of every rug we sell stands this establishment ready to make good our guarantee of absolute satisfaction. Inspect our offerings in the following:

INGRAIN SQUARES, from $5.00 to **$29.00**
TAPESTRY SQUARES, from $9.00 to **$26.00**
BRUSSELS SQUARES, from $16.00 to **$42.00**
AXMINSTER SQUARES, from $18.75 to **$65.00**
WILTON SQUARES, from $27.00 to **$48.50**
VELVET SQUARES, from $24.00 to **$42.00**
SMYRNA RUGS, from $30.00 to **$55.00**
GENUINE ORIENTAL RUGS—All prices.

Little-Priced Carpets for Your Bedroom

These Victor Squares solve the problem of "little-priced bedroom carpets" satisfactorily. They are well made and will give excellent satisfaction as a bedroom carpet. Our assortment of sizes makes the choosing easy. There are many pretty floral patterns shown—in reds, greens and browns.

Size 2½ x 3 yards, each **$5.00**
Size 3 x 3 yards, each **$6.00**
Size 3 x 3½ yards, each **$7.00**
Size 3½ x 3½ yards, each **$8.00**
Size 3 x 4 yards, each **$8.75**
Size 3½ x 4 yards, each **$9.25**
Size 4 x 4 yards, each **$10.50**
Size 3½ x 4½ yards, each **$10.50**
Size 3½ x 5 yards, each **$12.00**
Size 4 x 5 yards, each **$13.00**

Let Us Show You a Low-Priced, Long-Wearing Square

We refer to the Kensington or Krypton wool squares. There is nothing at the price that can excel these in style or wearing qualities. They are excellent wearers and are reversible. The art patterns and colorings are very pleasing. We can heartily recommend them to you.

See these Kensington Squares:

Size 2½ x 3 yards, at each **$11.00**
Size 3 x 3 yards, at each **$13.00**
Size 3½ x 3 yards, at each **$15.00**
Size 3 x 4 yards, at each **$17.50**
Size 3½ x 4 yards, at each **$21.00**
Size 4 x 4 yards, at each **$23.50**
Size 4 x 4½ yards, at each **$26.00**
Size 4 x 5 yards, at each **$29.00**

Krypton wool squares are of extra heavy weight. They are reversible—giving double wearing surface. Charming art designs and colorings, specially desirable for bedroom use.

Size 3 x 3 yards, at each **$19.00**
Size 3 x 3½ yards, at each **$22.00**
Size 3 x 4 yards, at each **$25.00**
Size 3½ x 4 yards, at each **$29.00**

The West's Greatest Furniture House

Furnishers of Homes Hotels Clubs

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Furnishers of Churches Schools Boats

FINAL REPLY TO GOTOH CHARGES

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Pacific railway and that you inserted the section in reference to alien labor. I will be glad if you will let me know if this is correct, as it is only fair to me, considering the charges that were made publicly in the campaign—in which I denied that I had anything to do with drafting the agreement between your company and the Japanese firm,—that you should give me this information.

W. J. BOWSER.

The reply, bearing date of the 24th instant, he had just received, it reading as follows:

The Reply.

Hon. W. J. Bowser, Attorney-General, Victoria, B. C.:

Sir—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th December last. As I was leaving for California I handed your letter to Mr. Marpole and I understand he has communicated with you thereon.

I beg to inform you that some time during the month of October, 1904, I was employed as local right of way agent for the railway company and in that capacity did a considerable amount of the company's legal work in Vancouver.

Mr. Marpole, who was then general superintendent, instructed me to draw up an agreement with Messrs. Furuya & Co., and the company regarding the employment of Japanese laborers on the Pacific division of the railway.

Mr. Gotoh was then working for Furuya & Co., and I had several interviews with him regarding the agreement in question. Mr. Gotoh handed me a form of which I used as a precedent when drafting the agreement, but I do not think there was any clause regarding alien labor in that document. The clause in my original draft regarding alien labor was, to the best of my recollection, drafted by me personally.

The agreement in question was renewed with Mr. Gotoh in the year 1906, the Furya firm having turned over its business to him. The 1906 agreement was practically copied from the 1904 agreement.

I never had any communication with yourself or your firm in regard to either of the agreements and I was not aware until certain statements were made recently in the newspapers that Mr. Gotoh or Furuya & Co. were clients of your firm at that time.

I trust this explanation will suffice.

I have marked this letter personal, but you are at liberty to use the same for the purposes mentioned in your letter to Mr. Marpole.

W. A. BROUGHAM,
Local Right of Way and Lease Agent.

Settlement of Railway Belt.

The resolution offered for the consideration of the House by Mr. Tisdall (Vancouver) presented itself early in the business of the afternoon, and read as follows:

"That a respectful address be presented to His Honor, the Lieutenant-Governor, asking him to call the attention of the Dominion Government to the urgent necessity of some action being taken looking to the better settlement of the lands in the Dominion Railway Belt in the Fraser River valley."

The fourth member for Vancouver stated that his object in bringing forward this resolution was chiefly to direct attention to difficulties that had arisen primarily through the rapid growth of Vancouver City in obtaining for the population of that city such by-products of the farm as might easily be secured by utilization to the full of the available area of the Fraser river valley. While it would be impossible for that valley to meet the necessities of the cities of the Coast in the major productions of the farms, such as wheat, beef, etc., for which the prairies could be looked to, there was no reason why with proper utilization of all available areas the foreign importation of such food supplies as poultry, butter, eggs, cheese, etc., might not be very much reduced, if not rendered altogether unnecessary. This importation had already been greatly reduced through the wise policy of the Provincial government, and this policy should now be enlarged and extended by securing the better settling up of the agricultural lands contained within the Dominion railway belt. In respect to the volume of Vancouver's importations of the four chief by-products of the farms—eggs, butter, cheese and poultry—it was to be noted that last year there were imported of butter 62 carloads, approximately 30,000 pounds to the car, which at 25c a pound would represent an expenditure on this food necessity of $465,000. The importations of cheese totalled 43 carloads, which taking 30,000 pounds to the car at a price of 14 cents gave an expenditure of $10,000. Twenty-one carloads of poultry, including 30,000 pounds to the car, at the low price of 18 cents gave $113,400; while 68 carloads of eggs, which would run 12,000 dozen to the car at 25 cents a dozen amounted to $212,160 or a grand total under these four headings alone of $971,160. The figures, he explained were authoritative and might be accepted as thoroughly reliable He might also with propriety have added evaporated apples for which there was a very large demand in Vancouver City and pork and its by-product bacon. If these were included, on these six items alone Vancouver paid out per year not less than a million and a half dollars.

Needs Increasing.

The immediate necessities of Prince Rupert on similar lines also demanded consideration. In the early days of Vancouver, concerning which he could speak as one of the city's pioneers, these necessities in the way of by-products of the farms were largely imported from the State of Oregon and California. Such importation had since then been greatly reduced, and was to a large extent now confined to such lines as fruits naturally produced under more favorable conditions in the south. The development of the Fraser river valley would not only meet the necessities of Vancouver in farm by-products but would also supply Prince Rupert and other new coast towns similarily situated until their own tributary territories produced sufficient for their requirements The Fraser River Valley in these four items produced supplies quite equal in quality to those of famed New Zealand. Not only should the Fraser River Valley produce sufficient to meet the necessities of Vancouver, Prince Rupert and other home markets, but it should raise sufficient fruit to satisfy the large requirements of the prairie provinces—apples, pears, plums, berries, etc. The markets of the prairies were convenient and demanded heavy contributions, and the proceeds were quickly received by the producers. Australia should also be a good customer for Fraser river valley fruit. Fruit shipments had been made to the Antipodes from Vancouver, but they were not the products of provincial orchards but from the adjacent State of Washington, where the growers appeared to recognize the opportunities of the trade more quickly than did those of British Columbia. Besides the Australian and New Zealand markets, there would be an excellent opening for British Columbia fruit in the markets of the Old Country so soon as shipments could be made by way of the Panama Canal. That the Annapolis Valley and the Province of Ontario had each shipped to England last year a half million barrels of apples in a measure illustrated the opportunities of this trade that would be open to the British Columbia fruit grower with the inauguration of the Panama route. The settlement of all the available acreage of the Fraser river valley along the lines indicated would have an effect of great advantage in improving the economy of living throughout British Columbia.

Should Settle Differences.

Mr. Mackenzie, of the Delta, in seconding the resolution said that he could not permit a motion appertaining to a matter of such vital importance to the Delta riding to come before the House without explaining to its members the condition of land affairs in the Delta and endeavoring to show the necessity of something being done to bring about an adjustment of land conditions, with this object in view he asked the House to give this resolution unanimous support.

"We have in Surrey," said he, "some 80,000 acres, of which 9,000 are held by the Dominion government. It is quite true that they are held under timber license, but it is equally true that much of this acreage has been logged off fifteen or twenty years ago, and since re-logged, even the tops being cut off the cedar stumps for the making of shingle bolts. Squatters have gone on these lands and settlers, and after waiting patiently for all these years, they appear to be no nearer to securing a title than they did some fifteen years ago. Development work in consequence is stifled. You cannot expect these men to expend either money or labor to any extent on lands to which they have no title. They have had experience with the peculiar manner in which large areas of Dominion land are frequently handed over by the Liberal government to its Liberal friends. They do not know when their untitled holdings will be presented to some party heeler. Some have given up in despair of justice ever being done them and have deserted their lands and gone to the cities to live; others have hung on, and have at each and every election enjoyed the pleasant experience of having the titles to these lands dangled before their eyes with the object of having them vote in a satisfactory manner for the Liberal candidate. This has been repeated so often that I am quite positive the majority of these people would not believe a Liberal candidate on oath in any matters relating to these titles. It has been intimated by the member for Newcastle that my predecessor 'went to the bottom of things.' I am afraid however, that this is a short coming of his own party he did not 'go to the bottom of' in this House. If a Liberal candidate can promise these titles, surely the various leaders of the party in this Province should be able to procure these titles for the settlers. From a municipal point of view the conditions of affairs is very bad. No taxes can be levied upon these lands and revenues thus obtained for the building of roads. The proceeds of the timber licenses go to the Dominion government and not a dollar is returned for local improvements. Construction of roads through these timber belts is necessarily costly, yet roads are absolutely necessary in order to give the settlers access to the markets of New Westminster and Vancouver. The Municipalities being unable to obtain the necessary revenues for their purposes are forced to appeal to this government for financial aid."

He had much pleasure in seconding the resolution.

Adjournment of the debate was moved by Mr. Cawley, member for Chilliwack.

Juvenile Courts.

On the motion of the Attorney-General, the bill to provide for the establishment of Juvenile Courts was introduced and given first reading, being set for further consideration upon its principle Monday. The bill presents no features additional to those already enumerated in these columns, except insofar as it provides for charging against the municipalities in which such courts may be established, the salaries of the judges and other expenses incidental to the working of the Act.

The bill to amend the Public Inquiries Act was briefly explained, upon the motion for second reading, by Hon. Mr. Bowser, as purely technical—a correction of words to secure the better working of the present law. The second reading accordingly was agreed to.

In moving the second reading of the bill to amend the Coroners' Act, the Attorney-General explained the scope of the contemplated change, which is to permit of evidence being taken stenographically in coroners' inquest proceedings, by which saving of both time and expense may be secured, while relieving the coroners of much clerical labor. Under present conditions, the law requires that the depositions of witnesses in such proceedings shall be reduced to record in longhand, and signed by the witnesses, a tedious proceeding. Under the contemplated change, the evidence may be reported in shorthand, the reporter subsequently transcribing, certifying and filing his notes and transcript, as provided for in criminal proceedings under the Code.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite, for the Opposition, approved the action taken by the Attorney-General. He realized the advantages that would be thus secured, but took occasion to bring the Attorney-General's attention that coroners should not be permitted to exercise their discretion as to what evidence should be and what should not be entitled to value, and as such included in the depositions. He recalled instances were coroners declined to present on the depositions other evidence than that brought out by the law officers, dismissing other and contra evidence as immaterial. He thought the Attorney-General might instruct coroners that in thus excluding evidence, by whomsoever offered, they were exceeding their legitimate jurisdiction.

Hon. Mr. Bowser expressed himself as quite ready to instruct all coroners as desired. It certainly was not for coroners to sit in final judgment on the value of evidence, and reject such portions as they might select from the record. He was not aware that such a thing had occurred.

"I can assure the Attorney-General that it has," said the member for Nanaimo, "and can give him specific information if he so desires."

The bill passed second reading.

Appointment of Notaries.

In moving for second reading of the Appointment of Notaries Act amendment bill, Hon. Mr. Bowser briefly explained this measure, along the lines of analysis already indicated in these columns. Applications for appointment as notaries had in the past gone to the County Judges and with the recommendations of these members of the judiciary had afterwards passed through the department as a matter of routine. As a result there was an overcrowding of notaries, and some had received appointment who, it subsequently developed, were not suitable persons to exercise notorial powers. There obviously should be some control of the personality of appointees, to be exercised by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, as in the case of applications for Comissions of the Peace.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite held that this bill required some consideration before being accepted by the House. The principle appeared to be directly antagonistic with respect to the civil service, doing away as it did, with the necessarily precedent to examination as to fitness out of the hands of the judges and made appointments possibly purely political. So far as he was aware there had been no complaints as to unfit persons holding appointment in the province; and surely the judges were worthy to decide as to personality. The contemplated change would vest sole power in the Attorney-General, who was apt to find non-respectable, one might say, those who, while not necessarily of his own political faith, still could not see eye to eye with the all-powerful minister.

Objection was taken also by Mr. Brewster, who held that the present act provided sufficient authority for supervision by the Government. Notarial appointments would become purely political should the bill prevail.

The second reading was agreed to, Mr. Hawthornthwaite shaking his head negatively, when asked if he desired a division.

During the sitting a petition of the Northern Vancouver Island Railway Co., which contemplates construction of a line from Hardy Bay to Quatsino, was presented by Mr. Thomson. The petitions were received of the Salvation Army; the citizens of South Vancouver; and the prospective British Columbia Northern Telephone Co. The Attorney-General presented the annual reports of the Provincial Game Warden and the Superintedent of the Industrial School; and the bill to incorporate the Western Union Fire Insurance Co. (Mr. Tisdall) was read a first time and duly referred to the Private Bills committee.

The Attorney-General yesterday gave notice of his intention on Monday to introduce certain amendments to the Factories Act; while for Wednesday Mr. Jardine has some further Muiresque question.

TIME'S UP!

Our Great Special CLEARANCE SALE

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Table Damask, bleached.

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72 in.	Regular $2.00 per yard.	Sale price	$1.55
72 in.	Regular $2.25 per yard.	Sale price	$1.65
55 in.	Regular 55c per yard.	Sale price	40¢
64 in.	Regular 65c per yard.	Sale price	52 1-2¢
72 in.	Regular $1.25 per yard.	Sale price	90¢
72 in.	Regular $1.75 per yard.	Sale price	$1.35
67 in.	Regular $1.25 per yard.	Sale price	90¢

Several patterns in each price.

Table Damask, unbleached.

54 in.	Regular 35c per yard.	Sale price	27 1-2¢
54 in.	Regular 50c per yard.	Sale price	40¢
58 in.	Regular 85c per yard.	Sale price	65¢

SPECIAL—Cream Damask Tabling—58, 64, 70 and 72 in. Regular 75c. Sale Price 50c

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72 x 108—Regular $4.00.	Sale price	$2.85
72 x 108—Regular $6.25.	Sale price	$4.15
72 x 108—Regular $6.50.	Sale price	$4.75
72 x 108—Regular $7.75.	Sale price	$5.85
72 x 108—Regular $9.50.	Sale price	$7.50

Drawn Hemstitched Table Cloths

No. 1.	8 x 10—Regular $5.00.	Sale price	$3.90
No. 2.	60 x 120—Regular $6.00.	Sale price	$4.75
No. 3.	8 x 10—Regular $6.50.	Sale price	$5.20
No. 4.	67 x 90—Regular $11.50.	Sale price	$9.20
No. 5.	67 x 108—Regular $12.50.	Sale price	$10.00

Hemstitched Table Covers

8 x 10—Regular $5.00.	Sale price	$3.75
70 x 90—Regular $11.50.	Sale price	$8.55
70 x 120—Regular $12.50.	Sale price	$9.50

Damask Napkins Hemmed and Unhemmed

Regular $1.75.	Sale price	$1.45
Regular $2.25.	Sale price	$1.75
Regular $2.50.	Sale price	$1.95
Regular $2.75.	Sale price	$2 20
Regular $3.00.	Sale price	$2.35
Regular $3.50.	Sale price	$2.85
Regular $4.00.	Sale price	$3.00
Regular $4.50.	Sale price	$3.35
Regular $4.75.	Sale price	$3.70
Regular $7.50.	Sale Price	$5.60
Regular $8.50.	Sale price	$6.65

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1 Cloth and 1 Dozen Napkins in Each Set

Set No. 3015—Regular $7.50.	Sale price	$6.00
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Set No. 3116—Regular $9.25.	Sale price	$7.40
Set No. 3112—Regular $9.50.	Sale price	$7.60
Set No. 3233—Regular $11.25.	Sale price	$9.00
Set No. 3221—Regular $12.00.	Sale price	$9.60
Set No. 3322—Regular $14.00.	Sale price	$11.20
Set No. 3316—Regular $15.25.	Sale price	$12.20
Set No. 3411—Regular $19.50.	Sale price	$15.60

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Hon. F. I. Carter Cotton left last night on his return to Vancouver.

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Mr. W. H. Alington is down from Duncans, on a short visit.

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Mr. G. Ordeyre from Cowichan is in town for a few days.

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Mr. R. L. Rogers from Chicago, is enjoying a visit to Victoria.

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Mr. H. M. Boss from Prince Rupert, is on a visit to the city.

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Mrs. W. W. Boultbee has returned to Vancouver.

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Mr. Johann Wulffsohn has gone to San Francisco on mining business.

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Joshua Kingham left last night on a short business trip to Vancouver.

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Miss Orr, Miss Bolton and Mr. Garrard Bolton went up to Duncans for the Agricultural Ball.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Fairfowl from Portland, are visitors in town, and are guests at the Empress.

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Mr. George Perfell from New Westminster is in town for the week end, and is staying at Oak Bay.

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Lady Sybil Grey, who is at present in England, is expected to return to Canada early next month.

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Mrs. P. G. Shallcross is over from Vancouver, on a visit to the Capital with friends.

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Mr. W. E. Wheeler from Shawnigan Lake, is a visitor in town, and is staying at the King Edward.

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C. N. McNeil, solicitor for the V. & S. railway company returned last night to Vancouver.

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Mr. and Mrs. Nelles and daughter from Manitoba are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Rea, Arcadia road.

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Mrs. J. C. Gilchrist and daughter left yesterday via the Northern Pacific on a visit to Spokane, Wash.

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Mrs. P. G. Shallcross, of Vancouver, is visiting in Victoria, the guest of Mrs. J. J. Shallcross, Foul Bay Road.

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Hon. W. J. Bowser went over to Vancouver last night on the Princess Victoria to spend the week end at home.

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Miss Allen and Miss Aileen Allen, from Vancouver, have been guests at the Empress hotel for the past few weeks.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Daville from Toronto, are spending some little time in town and are staying at the Empress.

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Mr. Stevenson, manager of the Dominion hotel returned to the city yesterday afternoon after spending a few days in the city of Seattle on a business trip.

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Miss Emma Sehl arrived in the city yesterday afternoon on the Princess Victoria from Seattle where she has been spending a few days on a pleasure jaunt.

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W. Thatcher left last night via the C.P.R. for St. John, N.B., whence he will sail on the Allan liner Corsican on an extended trip to the Old Country.

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Mr. and Mrs. William Sutherland, of Penticton have announced the engagement of their third daughter, Miss Violet Sutherland, to Mr. George Simpson of the C.P.R. staff, Winnipeg. Mr. Simpson will leave for the west in a few days.

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Among Seattle visitors at present in town are Mr. J. E. Corbett, Mr. D. Drysdale, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Elston, Mr. John S. Snapp, Mr. S. Wyner, Mr. and Mrs. G. Frederick Collins, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilmhurst and family, Miss Wilmhurst, Mrs. and Miss Nevis, and Mr., Mrs. and the Misses Wilmot.

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Vancouver guests at the Empress during the past few days have included: Miss Allen and Miss Aileen Allen, Mr. J. W. Givens, Mr. J. E. Hartney, Mr. P. M. Lindsay, Mr. S. King, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Willis, Mr. H. J. Wicks, Mr. D. Patterson, Mr. James Greig, Mr. G. R. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Carry, Mr. W. G. Tanner, Mr. J. Dean, Mr. W. Dempsey, Mrs. H. Kregan, Mr. J. W. Perkins, Mr. D. M. Robertson, Mr. George Cunningham, Mr. W. Hallam, Mr. W. Haines, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wendle, Mr. W. W. Hendry, Mr. P. Coleman, Mr. G. Evans, Mr. J. T. McKinnon, Mrs. J. A. Davie, Rev. E. W. Stapleford and Hr. J. B. Thompson.

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Miss Hattie McNair, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McNair, of 1070 Melville street, Vancouver, was united this week in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Fred W. J. Smith, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Smith, of Victoria. The ceremony, which took place at noon, was conducted by Dr. Fraser, of this city, after which Mr. and Mrs. Smith left on the steamship Iroquois for California. After spending a couple of weeks on this southern trip, they will return and make their home in Vancouver. The groom was supported by his brother, Mr. P. C. W. Smith, and was presented with a pair of gold cuff links with diamond settings, the bride, supported by Miss N. Blackburn, receiving as a present from the groom a beautiful pearl necklace.

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Among recent arrivals in Vancouver from Victoria have been Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Hicks, Mr. H. T. Greene, Mr. A. A. Aaronson, Mr. E. G. Johnson, Miss McCartney, Mrs. Middleton, Mrs. H. C. Briggs, Mr. H. B. Robertson, Mr. C. C. Bethune, Mr. Van Arsdol, Mrs. Greer, Miss Jones, Mr. G. H. Baker, Mr. W. J. Sutton, Mr. H. T. Kennedy, Mr. R. Bevan, Mr. Leslie Wade, Captain Creighton, Mr. John Baker, Mr. M. Lenz, Mr. N. L. Bateman, Mr. A. E. Mason, Mrs. W. A. Hurst, Mr. Andrew Gray, Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Gordon, Mrs. H. Briggs, Mr. T. M. Cowan, Mr. E. Bottomly, Mrs. D. L. Williams, Mr. A. A. Saul, Mr. Waldo Skillings, Mr. W. C. Nelson, Misses Davidson, Mr. S. L. Romaine, Mr. C. H. Dyson, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Roberts, Mr. D. Howard, Mr. W. H. Macdonald, Mr. C. Bates, Mr. T. Rapier, Mr. W. Duncan, Mr. C. A. Steele, Mr. A. L. McPhee, Mr. W. S. Warwacker, Mr. T. McClure, Mrs. D. McIntosh, Dr. P. A. Holmes.

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Carried out to the fullest satisfaction of the large crowd of Oddfellows and their hosts, the grand ball last night given in the Driard hotel proved one of the successes of the present season. The ball in its entirety was an esteemed credit to the local order of the Oddfellows and it is safe to say that every one who last night joined in the night of dancing and revelry enjoyed themselves to the full. Under the direction of the special committee the decorations proved to be of the most artistic and pleasing kind, while those who partook in the dancing spoke in glowing terms of the condition of the floor, which had been specially prepared for the occasion. The music was excellent, rendered by Miss Thain's orchestra and before the evening was half over many extras were necessary for the enthusiastic reveliers. A buffet menu was the order of the evening and it was served to supreme nicety. It was well into the morning when the occasion was brought to a close.

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Among the many events held on Tuesday evening to celebate the birth of Scotland's immortal poet one of the most successful was the ball and supper given by the Daughters of Scotland in Waxstock's hall, Broad street. The hall presented a beautiful appearance, being decorated with wreaths of evergreen and the Scottish colors of red and yellow. A photo of Burns had a prominent position draped with plaid. The same colors were carried out in the table decorations and a splendid supper was provided of Scottish dainties to which the two hundred people present did ample justice. During the evening Mr. James Taylor sang in his usual pleasing manner "There Was a Lad Was Born in Kyle" and "A Mans a Man For A' That." Little Miss Murray delighted the company with the Highland Fling, and response to an encore gave the Shawn Trews. The gem of the evening was undoubtedly the rendition of Afton Water and the Star of Robbie Burns, by Mrs. A. Butler. This lady has a magnificent contralto voice, and is never heard to better advantage than when singing her favorite Scottish songs. The pipe band rendered good service playing round the streets previous to the commencement of the ball, and also during the evening for some of the dances under the leadership of Pipe Major Wishart. Miss Angus had the orchestra in hand, and gave satisfaction to all.

High School Cadets.

The High School cadets wil parade at the Drill hall today at 9 a. m. and all members are requested to be present. An important match is to be fired with Gatling ammunition, the High school competing against all cadet corps in Canada in a series of matches arranged by the Dominion Rifle association. The cadets making the best ten scores will be selected as the team, the result of the match being forwarded to Ottawa by Mr. Willis, principal of the High school. As the regular size of target has been reduced by 100 per cent. high scores are not expected. Another obstacle to high scores is the very poor light in the Drill hall, the targets being so shadowed that the bullseye can hardly be seen.

Filling Her Bunkers.

The British steamer Earl of Elgin is bunkering at Comox for a trip to Australia from the Fraser river and Puget Sound.

New Lake Steamer

Up country C.P.R. officials have left for Toronto in connection with the placing of a contract for the steel hull and machinery of a new Arrow Lake steamer. The new craft will cost $120,000, and will be ready for the 1911 summer trade.

The Y. M. I. and Fifth Regiment basketball teams met at the drill hall last evening, the result being a victory for the former by a score of 21 to 11. There was a large crowd of the supporters of the respective fives out and the excitement was maintained throughout despite the fact that the Tommies steadily fell behind their more expert opponents.

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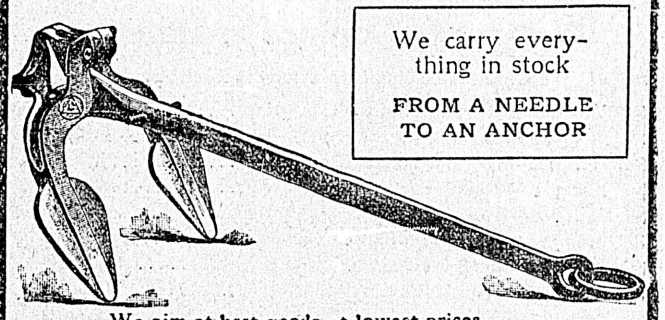

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The Prince Rupert, Skeena River, Navigation Co., Ltd., offer a $25.00 prize for a name suitable for their new River Boat now under construction in Victoria, B. C. A name characteristic of the country is preferred. Contest closes Feb. 15th. Address all communications to Prince Rupert, Skeena River, Navigation Co., Ltd., Port Essington, B. C.

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NEWS OF THE CITY

Cases in Chambers.

In Chambers before Chief Justice Hunter yesterday re v. J. Marks deceased an order for discharge and remuneration of trustees was made. Probate was admitted in re Tryphena Hedges deceased.

More Permits.

Building permits were issued yesterday by the building inspector to Mrs. A. Fletcher for a dwelling to be erected on Edward street to cost $1,400 and to M. C. Hooper for a barn on Foul Bay Road to cost $100.

6,000 Miles Away.

Illustrative of the geographical knowledge possessed among some residents of the old land with respect to the location of Vancouver Island a letter has reached the Development League from a commercial traveller in London, addressed to Victoria, Vancouver, B. C., the writer asking what are the prospects in the Argentine.

Handy Reference.

F. W. Stevenson & Co., stock brokers, have issued a neat and comprehensive booklet, a handbook of securities, giving full information concerning the railroad and industrial corporations of America, figures showing income, stock market quotations, etc. To the investor the information contained within the covers of the book will prove of great advantage.

Held Worker's Social

The social evening for the workers of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on Thursday night was one of the most enjoyable of the season. Many attended and the musical programme was especially appreciated. There were solos by Miss Jessie McKilligan, Mrs. W. Jamieson, Mrs. Jesse Longfield (violin obligato by Mr. Longfield), Mr. Jamieson and Mr. Armstrong.

Many Water Records Wanted.

No issue of the "Gazette" in many months has contained so many applications for record of water power rights as that of yesterday. Among the applicants are the Fraser River Lumber Co., which seeks authority to harness the waters of Coquihalla river; the Tacoma Steel Co., which seeks a record on Priestly lake; George E. Henderson, on Bull river; J. H. Lattremquille, on McAllister creek; Daniel McKay, on the west fork of Otter creek; the North Coast Lumber Co., on Silver creek, and A. H. Tuttle, on Sheep creek.

Railway for Quatsino.

One of the most interesting of the many new railway charters which will be applied for at the present session of the Legislature—that is one of the most interesting so far as Vancouver Island residents are concerned—is that of a company represented in its preliminary applications by Messrs. Barnard & Robertson, which purposes to construct and operate a standard gague railway from Hardy Bay or Port McNeil, on the northern and eastern coast of Vancouver Island, across the Island to Coal Harbor, on the West Arm of Quatsino Sound. The company seeks all the usual incidental rights and privileges.

New Provincial Companies.

Among this week's new business organizations which have just obtained corporate powers and responsibilities are the Canadian Heating & Ventilating Co., Ltd., the Nugget Polish Co., Ltd. (both extra-provincial), the Birmingham Townsite Co., Ltd., Call Creek Oyster Co., Ltd., Canada Mines Co., Ltd., Columbia River Orchards, Ltd., International Electric Co., Ltd., J. H. Brooks, Co., Ltd., Malkin Warehouses, Ltd., Mercantile Trust Co., Ltd., Michigan Towing Co., Ltd., National Paper Mills, Ltd., Pioneer Lumber Co., Ltd., Premier Poultry & Produce Co., Ltd., Vancouver Home-Builders, Ltd., Vancouver-Westminster Investment Co., Ltd. and W. H. Walsh Company, Ltd.

Dangerous Roadway.

Last evening an automobile narrowly escaped having a wheel taken off by coming in contact with the rails on Government street near the corner of Belleville. Many complaints have been made as to the state of the roadway at this point. Ever since the city employees, several months ago, commenced to dig trenches for the electric wire conduits the western side of the street has been a veritable quagmire and in seeking to avoid the danger of sinking up to the hubs vehicles are forced towards the rails in the centre of the street and these latter are now about ten inches above the surface of the roadway. The rock crusher is at work at the rear of the Empress hotel and a few loads of macadam would remedy the trouble, as the question as to who is responsible for the danger complained of does not enter into the situation.

Appeal Is Dismissed

The court of appeal took quick action yesterday afternoon, when it dismissed the appeal in Baiss v. The B. C. Electric Railway Company. The appeal was taken from the judgement of Mr. Justice Irving before whom the claim of Baiss, a hackman, for damages sustained, allegedly by the negligence of the street car company when his hack was struck by a car on Fort street December 24, 1908, was heard. J. A. Aikman, for Baiss and E. V. Bodwell, K. C., for the company finished their argument before noon, and when the court resumed the chief justice stated that the court had found that the company had been guilty of negligence in running the car at such a speed that it was impossible to stop it, within the twenty-foot radius of high shed by the head-lamp. E. V. Bodwell was then called upon to further elucidate the point as to whether there had been a proper charge to the jury in the court below. Following this argument the court came to the conclusion that while there had been negligence on the part of the company Baiss himself was guilty of contributory negligence in allowing his hack to stand on the tram tracks when there was sufficient room on the other side of the street. The appeal was thereupon dismissed.

OBITUARY NOTICES

Walsh

The death occurred last night at the Royal Jubilee hospital of John J. Walsh, aged 65 years, for the past thirty-two years a respected resident of the city. The late Mr. Walsh leaves a wife to mourn his death. Deceased was a member of the Victoria lodge, I. O. F. and also of True Blue lodge, L. O. L. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., January 28, 1910:

SYNOPSIS.

The barometer is high over this portion of the Pacific slope, and fair weather has been general, while from Prince Rupert to the Yukon a severe southerly gale is reported and much damage done to shipping on the Lynn Canal. The weather remains mild in Alberta and moderately cold east to Manitoba.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	36	43
Vancouver	32	41
New Westminster	34	42
Kamloops	34	38
Barkerville	12	16
Fort Simpson	30	36
Atlin	24	26
Dawson, Y. T.	4	24
Calgary, Alta.	24	32
Winnipeg, Man.	12	16
Portland, Ore.	42	46
San Francisco, Cal.	44	60

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific Time) Saturday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Winds mostly northerly and easterly, chiefly cloudy, with rain tonight or Sunday.

Lower Mainland: Winds mostly northerly and easterly, chiefly cloudy with rain tonight or Sunday.

FRIDAY.

Highest	43
Lowest	36
Mean	39

Sunshine, 6 hours, 24 minutes.

LADIES' MUSICAL CLUB

Programme for Recital to Be Given This Afternoon

The Victoria Ladies' Musical Club will hold a recital today, when the following programme will be rendered:

(Italian.)
Duo. (for two pianos) Hommage a Haendel.....Moscheles
Miss Dorothy Tilly
Mr. Benedict Bantly
Song—The Prologue, "Paglaicci"....Leoncovalli
Mr. Harry Davis
Piano—(a) Pastorale....Alexander Scallotti
Minuetto
(b) Intermezzo, "Pagliacci"....Leoncovalli
Mrs. MacLure
Song—Recid, E. strano, Air: Ah fors'e lui—"La Traviata"....Verdi
Mrs. Jameson
Sextette—Chi Mi Frena—"Lucia Di Lammermoor".....Donizetti
Mrs. Harry Briggs
Mrs. Gideon Hicks
Mr. A. T. Goward
Mr. Howard Russell
Mr. Gideon Hicks
Mr. Godfrey Booth
Accompanist, Miss Miles.
God Save the King.

A NEAR MILLENNIUM

Never a Single Solitary "Tank" Confronted the Magistrate

Whether or not it was the benign effect of the comet mortals may never know but it was a solid and sane fact that there wasn't an offender on the police court docket yesterday morning, not even a drunk. Had Magistrate Jay been a less experienced judge he might have been guilty of a deep-seated suspicion that the millennium was dawning. It would have been nice to suspect that. What a discovery for Victoria to make;—it would beat the comet all to pieces. Newspapers all over the world would be flashing the news in great headlines: "Millennium at Hand. Discovered at Victoria, B. C., Heading This Way! ! !"

But alas! Magistrate Jay knew too well the frailties of the Old Familiar Fames. One day might slip by unmarred by sin and the fruits of sin, but another day would dawn and some of them would fall from the water wagon with a resounding splash. Perhaps they were even then preparing the way for today's appearance; for the power of human resistance is weak and the only hope for many of us is a tempered wind.

Nevertheless the court played Millennium yesterday. The sun streamed through the clean windows and traced arabesques on the floor, lighting up the empty benches and filling the whole room with radiance just as if there were no crime or wrong in all the world. And so warm was the sun and so quiet was the room that the little bird above the door snoozed. He snoozed fitfully and under his breath he muttered:

Gee! but this is a lonesome town
Ev'ry old vag is a-sleepin' soun'
Not even a drunk for to pay a fine
It's a trifle too slow, this is, for mine.
There's somethin' mighty funny in this neighborhood
I reckon ev'rybody is a-gettin' good.
Well-a, one, two, three,
They can't please me
I'll sleep, sleep, sl——(snore!).

Looking For Contracts

No sooner has the new city council got fairly started on its duties than its troubles have commenced, if the descent of the pavement representatives can be regarded as anything but a blessing. With the council about to consider the merits of asphalt the representatives of the Hassam Company, which endeavored last year to secure a contract, but failed, have returned to the charge, and in addition agents of other asphalt manufacturing concerns are button-holing the aldermen. It is understood that the granitoid agents will not be far behind, and in fact within the next month representatives for concerns manufacturing about every known species of paving material are expected to be in the city all seeking a piece of the civic work.

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General Meeting

A general meeting of Members and Advisory Board will be held in the City Hall, on Wednesday, February, 2nd, 1910, at 8 p.m.

The meeting will be open to the public, and it is hoped that all Citizens interested in the Exhibition will be present.

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BACK FROM CONFERENCE OF THEATRE MANAGERS

E. R. Ricketts Tells of How Victoria Will Be Affected by Fact That There Is No Present Prospect of New Theatre

Mr. E. R. Ricketts, lessee of the Vancouver and Victoria theatres returned to the city yesterday en route home to Vancouver, from the annual meeting of the Northwestern Theatrical Association held in Chicago the second week in January. At it he was re-elected a director of the organization and was again confirmed as representative of that body throughout British Columbia.

It was at this meeting that Mr. Ricketts received a telegram announcing the defeat of the theatre bylaw, which necessitated his rearranging his plans with regard to bookings for Victoria. He was unable to book any companies for Victoria after Dec. 1910, when his lease of the present theatre expires. Great surprise was expressed by the theatrical magnates present that Victoria was content to remain without a theatre and regret at the action of the ratepayers.

While Mr. Ricketts deplores the failure of the bylaw it is to him not a selfish regret. As a matter of fact pecuniarly it will be an advantage. A certain number of open dates for attractions are assigned to him for B. C. These hitherto have been divided between Victoria and Vancouver, with the detriment of the double jump and the expensive water carriage to this city. As it is, his open dates can be all given to Vancouver, which with its modern opera house and increased population can stand engagements of from two to three nights handily, in fact the result to both company and lessee being more satisfactory financially.

Mr. Ricketts also notified the syndicate that the Victoria committee had proposed to manage the theatre if erected themselves. He expressed his ready acquiescence in this proposal. As a British Columbian he would be happy to see a theatre in the capital city of the province, no matter whose the management.

Mr. Ricketts pointed out to the committee the fact that there was a large and influential section in Victoria extremely eager to see a theatre built and he unstintedly praised the untiring efforts of Mr. Simon Leiser, the chairman of the committee. He also pointed out to them that the big corporations had shown their appreciation of Victoria's need, they having all come forward with substantial donations to the project.

Mr. Ricketts while in Chicago, visited the new Court theatre on Dearborn street. The latter is one of the prettiest theatres in the world, unique in design and decoration. The fire proof curtain is decorated in oils with a mountain scene, the hills rising on either side and seeming to merge with the stage boxes which carry out the effect. A mezzanine balcony is arranged in a tier of boxes below the first gallery and here the theatre goers in parties are allowed to smoke. The ceiling is arranged in a cloud effect, a machine revolving back of it giving a scintillating star effect.

Mr. Ricketts returned via Salt Lake city and the Oregon short line, accompanying Mr. Court on a tour of inspection of the various houses under that gentleman's direction.

In Seattle he witnessed a production of the Music Master, in which David Warfield will be seen here on Monday evening next. He pronounces it the finest production of the kind seen in the west for many years.

Everybody Smokes Old Chum.

HOMING BONES TO ARRIVE NEXT WEEK

Ashes of Dead Chinese From the Prairie to Arrive Soon For Transhipment to the Orient

In about a fortnight there will arrive from Chicago all the bones of the dead Chinamen of the middle western state that were interred in the Chicago graveyards. The Chinamen of the Windy City celebrated this week what they call "Resurrection Day," one in every three years when they dig up the old bones of their once lively companions for transplanting to their homes in China. The looking after the bones of every Chinaman on earth is no small undertaking, but this is the undertaking which a society established by the emperor, is supposed to do. Its agents are located in every part of the globe where the Chinamen settle and it is said that remarkable few Chinamen are unaccounted for on the society's books.

The continents are divided into districts and in each district a certain city is designated as the burial ground. Vancouver, Victoria, New Westminster and Montreal and Toronto are the burial grounds of Canada. Chicago, San Francisco, Denver and New York are the selected resting places of the Chinese across the line.

Last March there occurred the resurrection of the bones of all the dead ones of Vancouver Island and a large shipment to the old country was made.

These shipments are arranged in the majority of cases, about three years apart, the times of shipment altering. Chicago this year and some other city next year. The bones are encased in air tight tins, a separate tin for each set of bones, and are routed through direct without stop-overs for ceremonies, feasting or pig burning on the way. Therefore the Chicago bones will not be left in Victoria any longer than time to tranship from the train to one of the Empress boats.

Back to Native Village.

When Hongkong is reached, all of the bones are unloaded and taken to the Hongkong hospital where they remain until relatives, if the deceased has no relatives, then friends, put in their claims and pay the expenses of getting the bones back to the native land. Every Chinaman is buried in the district in which he was born and no matter how far away they die they cross the divide happily content that they will be taken back to the place of their birth eventually by the powerful resurrection society which has been operating for scores of years.

And the most of the bones are the object of a high old celebration by the friends and relatives. If it can be afforded, an elaborate funeral will be held no matter how long before its object cashed in.

The bones travel by freight from Chicago and on the trip across the Pacific are taken at a price slightly in advance of freight rates. Local Chinamen state that the cost from Chicago to Victoria is about $7 per Chinaman. The Chicago consignment consists of 31 boxes, each box containing one Chinaman. There were about 20 boxes shipped from Victoria last March. New Westminster will probably make a shipment sometime this year.

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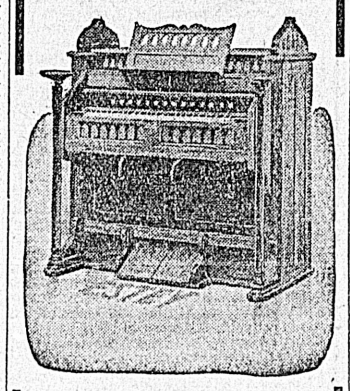

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Interesting Report Gives Ruling of the Minister of Justice With Regard to Legislation Passed by Province

The report of the Minister of Justice in connection with legislation adopted last session by the British Columbia parliament, which was laid on the table of the local house by the provincial secretary during Tuesday's sitting, contains certain interesting criticism of the minor features of the legislation in question, the disallowance of the measures being not, however, recommended by the responsible federal minister. The text of the return is as follows:

Department of Justice, Canada.
Ottawa, October 18th, 1909.

To His Excellency the Governor-General in Council:

The undersigned has had under consideration the statutes of the legislature of British Columbia passed in the ninth year of His Majesty's reign (1909) and received by the secretary of state for Canada on the 29th day of March, 1909; and he is of the opinion that these statutes may be left to such operation as they may have.

The undersigned desires, however, to call special attention to the following of these chapters: Chapter 49, intituled "An Act to Incorporate the British Columbia Permanent Loan Company."

This company is empowered to lend money on the security of mortgages on real estate, debentures, bonds, stocks and other securities of any government, municipal or school corporation, chartered bank, etc., also to acquire, hold and dispose of real estate; to act as agents of others who entrust it with money, etc.

It is perhaps questionable whether some of the powers conferred do not affect the subject of banking.

The seventh section is as follows:

"So far as the province of British Columbia has jurisdiction to confer the power, the company may establish agencies in any or all of the provinces or territories of the Dominion of Canada, or in any foreign country or place, and transact its business therein, the directors having obtained the necessary licence legalizing the extension of and transaction of such business therein."

The undersigned is of the opinion that a local legislature has no authority to authorise a company to establish agencies or to transact business beyond the limits of the province, and the legislature itself seems to have considered its power in this regard questionable since it has introduced the enactment quoted by the words, "So far as the province of British Columbia has jurisdiction to confer the power." Perhaps in view of this limitation the grant (such as it is) may not be misleading; and, therefore, considering also that it is proposed to have the questions which have arisen touching the local powers of incorporation referred to the Supreme Court of Canada to be determined, the undersigned does not recommend disallowance.

Chapter 52, intituled, "An Act to Incorporate the Flathead Valley Railway Company."

Chapter 56, intituled, "An Act to Incorporate the Meadow Creek Raiyway Company."

These two last-mentioned statutes profess to confer powers to construct railways extending to the International boundary, and are, therefore, subject to an objection which has been frequently stated with regard to similar enactments by the local legislature.

The undersigned noes not, however, recommend the disallowance of these acts.

The undersigned recommends that a copy of this report, if approved, be transmitted to the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia for the information of his government.

Humbly submitted,
(Signed) A. B. AYLESWORTH,
Minister of Justice.

Licentiates of Pharmacy.

The Registrar of the Association of Pharmacists of British Columbia, Dr. J. W. Brown, publishes in the current issue of the "B. C. Gazette," the revised lists of licentiates, clerks and apprentices of pharmacy in the province at the present time, the names of the licentiates numbering 139, with 15 clerks, and 39 apprentices.

Provincial Appointments.

The appointments are gazetted of A. G. Wilmot of Jaffray and James Mars of Coquitlam, as Justices of the Peace; of J. H. McMullin, of Prince Rupert, as Stipendiary Magistrate, Coroner and Official Administrator; of Thomas Duke, of Vancouver, as a selector of jurors; of Captain Peter Elliston, of this city, as a member of the Provincial Board of Horticulture, vice Mr. W. E. Scott, resigned; of A. H. McLean, of Vancouver, as Assistant Timber Inspector; and of J. W. L. Alexander, of Vancouver, as a Notary Public.

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The Cub waited several minutes while the News Editor's blue pencil travelled across line after line of copy, pausing here and there to make a mark for the printer, to kill an editorial "we" or correct a split infinitive. Then he said:

"I suppose there wasn't much unusual news this week anyway with the session on and all; was there?"

The News Editor looked up from his eye shade rather quizzically: "The session, my son," he said, "provides more unusual news than we've had all year. But we dare not describe it as unusual because some of our debutante members would roar like the lion of Babylon if we did. You wait, kid, until I inject a little ginger into this story of a fight which Banks has described as if it were his grandmother's funeral, and I'll tell you a story or two."

The News Editor said several uncomplimentary things about Banks' sense of humor, or lack of it, before he had the requisite amount of the essence of ginger mixed into the fight story. When the copy was at last spitted on the spike the News Editor leaned back and filled his pipe luxuriously and slowly. He had at least one qualification as a teller of yarns, had the News Editor, and that was his acute sense of the non-necessity of haste.

Raises Moses One

"Just about the most unusual bit of copy that has shot into this office for some time," he began when the Calabash was exuding great creamy rings, "was that story from Dalhart, Texas, about Mrs. Josie Pettus. You remember how much space was given to that Bible story of Moses tapping the rock and getting water in the desert? Well, this goes that one better. This Mrs. Pettus was a widow and the row that fate had given her to hoe was just plumb full of rocks and her hoe was most surpassing dull. Altogether she had a pretty tough time of it trying to make both ends come within hailing distance of each other on her little old rocky farm down there in the dry belt. If she had a decent sized crop it seemed as if the sun just naturally had to shine too hard and burn things up; or, if the crop weathered the hot spells and was just ready for harvest along would come a fierce gale and break everything off at the roots. This Mrs. Pettus she had just about given up hope of ever making things go when one day last week a whale of a thunderstorm came up. The sky got so black that an ordinary night would look white in comparison with it and the lightning just darted and scrambled across the sky like all the fireworks in the world going off together. Mrs. Pettus she looked out of her front door at this old grandaddy of all storms and then she just fell down on her knees and cried. Yep, she cried, hard too, because she just naturally felt that here came the end of everything. The way the wind was licking things up ahead of that storm she knew her little old shack wouldn't stand any show at all and when that went why she would be plumb up against it.

"Well, the story didn't say so, but I reckon Mrs. Pettus must have prayed a little mite or so as she lay there crying. Mind, I don't say that she did because the despatch didn't mention it; but I sort of feel that she just prayed a little. Anyway, the storm came yelping and bellowing up, the wind ripping things wide open and the lightning just turning somersaults all over the sky. It sure looked as if Mrs. Pettus' little old shack was booked for the next county and she was just lying there not caring whether she was killed or not.

A Dispensation

"Then a strange thing happened. The storm switched off to one side when it was almost at Mrs. Pettus front door. Only a gentle rain fell at her place and the wind didn't touch the little old shack at all. The lightning hissed and snapped all over everything but so far as the widow could see it didn't do any damage. Well, she went to bed mighty thankful that her little old shack was still standing even if she didn't see just how she was going to make things go. Next morning she heard a queer sort of noise over on one edge of her farm. She couldn't make out what on earth was going on so she slipped on her clothes and ran as fast as she could over behind a big bluff that hid the point from view. And there, what do you think? There she found that the lightning had split open the side of a great rock and that crude oil was spouting out like a regular old geyser. Two hundred barrels a day the flow was estimated at. Now Widow Pettus is figuring on whether she'll have pale pink or plum colored upholstering in her new limousine.

"You know, kid, what a deuce of a nuisance an alarm clock is when it calls you from the peace of a sound sleep to the realization of all your worldly cares and worries? An alarm clock has about the most thankless job on the calendar, apart from a News Editor's job—and as we all know there isn't even a Hell hereafter for News Editors, they get so much of it on earth. An alarm clock has to submit to the indignity of being wound up so that it may suffer the further indignity of being cussed for going off. That strikes me as being the essence of hard luck. Well, anyway, there was a story from New York this week about a chap named Robert Willoughby, a motorman on the Third Avenue Elevated railway, who was never late in all his career of thirty years until last week. When he didn't show up at the regular time the foreman at the barns grew excited and sent a man to Willoughby's house to find out why Willoughby was late. When the man got to Willoughby's house he learned that Willoughby had a good excuse all right. He had died of Bright's disease sometime during the night. But it was only then that the company discovered the real secret of Willoughby's punctuality. Ranged around the room near his bed there were thirty alarm clocks of various designs. Some were plain alarm clocks, some were attached to big brass gongs and some were operated by electricity. All gave the alarm at the same time.

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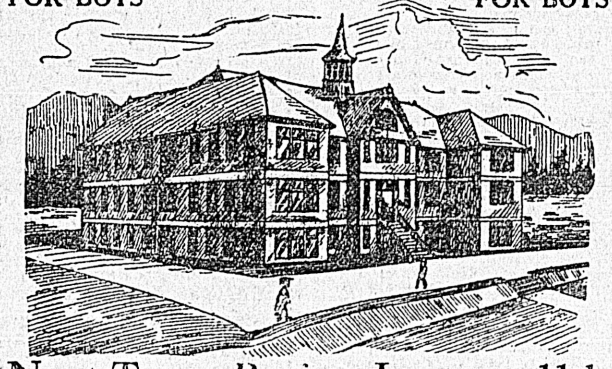

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In Victoria we already have such conditions over a great part of the city as philanthropists are in England and New York going to so much pains to secure.

Where the original lots have not been subdivided there is room, not only for a small flower garden but to cultivate enough vegetables to supply the table of a small family during the summer.

It would be too much to expect the mother, busy with her household tasks and the care of the children to do much of this work. But the clerk or mechanic who spends many hours of the day indoors would find evenings spent in the garden a source of pleasure and of profit. There are many men who during the past decade began by gardening in town in their spare hours who now own valuable fruit farms in the district. In their little gardens they acquired a hunger for land and a love for outdoor occupation and as soon as circumstances warranted their doing so, have given up their trades and devoted themselves to agriculture.

This result is not to be expected, perhaps not wished for, in many cases. But nothing but good can come of the careful and thorough cultivation of the small plots of ground that surround Victoria homes. Children can early be taught to help in the gardens and the work is good for them.

Is it not possible this year to make the school houses less bare and unattractive. Where almost every house is adorned with roses and other climbing plants with borders of flowers it seems a pity that the school buildings should present ugly blank walks. If the grounds are not in order the trustees will, no doubt, remedy that defect. The teachers and pupils will do the rest. There are some schools where the play ground space is too limited to admit of any such work being done. But this is not the case everywhere. The children who take an interest in the beauty of the school are better and happier than those who only look upon it as a place where work is to be done, and who are glad to escape from it as quickly as possibly. In Canada there are too few school houses in which either the people or the children take a pride. There is no better place to begin a reform in this respect than Victoria.

A correspondent of a Toronto paper who is an opponent of corporal punishment suggests that suspension or expulsion should take its place. It would appear from the tone of the letter that the "strap" is used more freely by Toronto teachers than is the case in this province. Most teachers have learned that the necessity for whipping pupils is not nearly so great as was formerly believed. This is a state of affairs on which all are to be congratulated. Victoria children, as a rule, would much rather go to school than not, and Shakespeare's famous line is not true of the twentieth century pupil. But children are not perfect, and we have not yet learned to do without punishment either in the state or in the school. No one who has had much experience with boys and girls can doubt that neither suspension nor expulsion should be resorted to till all other means have failed. The child who is sent home from school has his offence published not only throughout the school, but the neighborhood, if not the city. In the case of a girl, even more than that of a boy this is to be avoided whenever possible. In most cases the parents, if appealed to, will come to the aid of a teacher in maintaining discipline rather than have their child wear the disgrace of suspension.

There are cases where expulsion is necessary for the good of the school. But the bad boy or girl who is sent home for a short period seldom reforms. To say that suspension is preferable to corporal punishment, properly administered, shows a very decided lack of judgment. Whatever chance there may be of making a pupil better by the teacher who looks upon him as a member of the school family whose wrongdoings are to be judged and punished, or forgiven—inside the walls of the school there is very little hope of reformation when by suspension he is made to feel himself a criminal.

Though, as a rule, children in Victoria like to go to school, there are families where through poverty, neglect or mismanagement pupils are allowed to stay at home far too often. Sometimes boys of quite tender years are kept out of school altogether on the chance of earning small sums of money. Indolent mothers do not prepare the children's meals in time, and for fear of being late they stay away altogether. A few play truant for days at a time. It is these children who, as a rule, end a series of boyish scrapes by breaking into an empty building or carrying off something that they imagine is of little value to its owner. If undiscovered a real theft follows and the boy is a criminal and is sent to the reformatory or jail. The appointment of a truant officer, if the right man be found for the place, should do away with this evil and it is a matter of congratulation that the trustees have provided for the appointment of one. There is no need for the children of any family, no matter how poor, to stay out of school in Victoria for want of proper clothing. The public does not want to publish the children for the sins of their fathers and mothers and the charitable societies are always ready to make the children fit to go to school. Nor is there necessity for boys and girls who should be in school remaining away to work. The law insists that every boy and girl in British Columbia should receive an education and this law must be obeyed.

While every child is entitled to an education, there are even here, still more in larger cities, those who profit very little by going through the ordinary school curriculum. In every school there is a considerable number of boys and girls who never pass the intermediate grade. There girls and boys of fourteen and fifteen or even older may be seen sitting at the same desk with children of nine and ten. Nor are these pupils always unfit for the work of the world. In workshops, and surveying camps, there are fine manly fellows earning good wages and assisting their mothers and fathers to support younger brothers and sisters who were considered incorrigible dunces in school. Girls who could not pass into the Fourth reader are making skilful dressmakers and milliners. This shows that all pupils who dislike school and look upon the work done there as drudgery, to be escaped from as soon as possible, are not devoid of ability. There is work that they like and can succeed in if, instead of being forced to spend all their time on studies they have no aptitude for, they were allowed to spend part of their time in the manual work they enjoy they would not only like school better but make more progress in what we are accustomed to call intellectual studies. It has been noticed more than once that a girl has taken a new interest in the work of her grade when she found that she surpassed her fellow pupils in sewing or in the work of the cooking school.

It may very well be that our public schools are not doing enough to adapt themselves to this class of backward pupils. The successful mechanic or the excellent housewife finds that an inability to write legibly, to spell well or to reckon correctly is a sad handicap. It is worth while for the school authorities of the cities to try to keep so-called stupid children in our schools long enough to gain this knowledge. Excellent as our schools are, it seems as if some plan might be devised to furnish congenial occupation for the exceptional boys and girls of whom there are a few in all the lower grades. As happly children are always good much of the worry and anxiety which hardworking teachers now suffer from might be thus relieved and the number of child criminals greatly reduced.

There is room in Canada for all the good girls who wish to come from Scotland to this country. If such young women arrive in any city in the Dominion there is little or no danger of their suffering from want of employment. They are usually strong and willing to work. They are fairly educated and have a certain native dignity which teaches them in an old-fashioned and now unpopular phase, "to know their place."

It is not pleasant to learn that Canada is likely to be deprived of the service of a class of young women that is greatly needed because of the schemes of greedy and hypocritical fellow countrymen.

An Edinburg paper states that a number of guilds professing to work from religious and philanthropic motives are acting as passenger agents to this country. The plan pursued is to demand from girls who apply to these agencies a sum of ten shillings which it is explained, is devoted to the expenses of the work incurred in investigation of references. They must sign agreements promising to accept the situations provided and remain in those situations a year or until the loans advanced are repaid. Until this is done two thirds of their wages must be sent to the guild by the girl who has accepted its terms. It is easy to understand that a young woman who found herself bound to an employer who was unjust or exacting might under such circumstances find herself in sad straits. A fee of forty-five dollars is received from the employer so that it will be seen the guild is a money making concern.

It is said that these associations persuade girls to leave against the will of their parents and that they are not to be depended upon to select young women of good character. The Scotland passenger agents are looking into the matter and if the statements made against the guilds are found to be correct, it is likely they will find some means to put a stop to their operations.

It is very unfortunate that anything should occur to prevent the emigration of a class of citizens greatly needed here. In town or country the Scottish lassies of the right class is sure to succeed. Some plan can surely be devised by which the passage money of those who need it, can be advanced on terms just both to borrower and lender. The plan of engaging a girl whom she has never seen is not one that commends itself to the mistress of the home. In such a matter it does not do to depend upon the judgment of others.

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WOMAN'S WORK

At a parlor meeting of the W.C.T.U. held at the home of Mrs. Harvie on Thursday papers were read by Mrs. Jennings and Mrs. Spofford and a committee appointed to endeavor to bring about a reform of Sabbath observance.

A letter was read from Dr. Spencer asking the help of the society and all temperance organizations in the Local Option Convention to be held in Broad Street Hall on Feb. 10.

The committee on the new mission reported progress. It is hoped the new quarters on Store street will be ready by the middle of February when a public opening will be held.

A hearty vote of thanks was given to the hostess for her kindness in throwing open her lovely home to the members.

HIGH COST OF LIVING

By James E. Clark

The president of the United States has taken up the long-delayed task of ascertaining the reason for the very high cost of living, and discovering and applying methods which shall relieve those who are suffering under the thumbscrew of high prices.

The exact reasons which the president's helpers may deduce from the mass of evidence which they are taking, and the laws which the president proposes to offer for the correction of gambling in the necessaries of life, will undoubtedly give some help, though the fruits may be a long time in maturing.

The great thing about the movement is the fact that it will direct the attention of the whole people to the abuses, and from that the people will give their attention first to cause and then to consequences. When the public sense of right has been fully awakened nothing wrong can much longer endure.

But a nation in such matters does not awaken with a leap and a bound. The perception of the mass is clarified slowly; often it happens that when the saving movement has set in good people, mistaking the situation, cry out in despair that justice will not prevail.

One of the greatest factors in increasing the cost of living is found in the large and constantly increasing class of persons who by hook or crook lead luxurious lives without returning to the people any useful, upbuilding, compensating service!

There are millions of men, women and children in the United States who in so far as actual service to mankind is concerned "toil not, neither do they spin, and yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these!" In this class are the men who by no stretch of imagination or system of logic contribute in any substantial way to the welfare of their age and generation. By speculation, intrigue and modern piracy they contrive to make much money, and that they spend it again is no saving virtue!

They skim off much of the cream of existence, and since they produce nothing it remains as a matter of course that their very existence must come at last from the toilers in the offices, fields, factories and forests!

The most effective remedy for the correction of this growing abuse is a general diffusion of knowledge of the evil which men do to their fellows when they live without producing useful works in some field of legitimate endeavor!

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Baseless Rumor.

Sir—I understand that reports are circulating about the city that Ernie Todd was the one who shot Allen on Sunday, 14th November, when near the summit on the E. & N. railway.

There is absolutely no truth or in fact any foundation whatever for these reports.

I went to Sooke Harbor early that morning with Ernie Todd in his automobile and in the afternoon we were around Metchosin. I was with him the whole day and we were never within ten or fifteen miles of where Allen was shot. ALBERT E. BECHTEL.

Victoria, Jan. 27th, 1910.

Saw Comet Also.

Sir—On Monday evening at 6:30 p.m. we saw in the sky, not far from a very brilliant star, a wonderful comet with a tail reaching straight up into the heavens. Both star and comet were just above the trees to the southwest and the moon was rising in the oppesite direction to northeast. As we looked at the comet, at intervals (for being very busy, we could not watch it all the time,) we noticed it was fading away, by 6:45 about, it was no longer to be seen and later the brilliant star went also, perhaps behind a cloud. But what was it? Isn't it too early for Halley's comet? And we have not seen it since. It has been very cloudy each night since Monday. We have seen no letters in the Colonist referring to it but surely other people saw it.

KATHERINE J. BRADLEY DYNE.

Sidney, P. O., Jan. 27.

Foreshore Protection.

Sir—Mr. Gladstone has done himself and the clergy a grave injustice. If he will read my former letter he will see that I certainly have not accused him "of clerical rashness in rushing into print." And it is a gratuitous assumption on his part that my sneers, if I did sneer, apply to the clergy. Any man, who, as Mr. Gladstone has done, under the circumstances which called forth his contribution in your last Sunday's issue refers to the proposed work at Ross Bay as "folly" should not complain if anyone actually did sneer.

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Until recently those who noticed the London street tramp and 'sleeper-out' gazing intently on the ground as he loafs along and occasionally diving sharply for every cigar and cigarette butt that he spies, believed that he collects them for his own use. It was recently discovered by a gentleman who happened to notice several of these street scavengers gathered in a group early in the morning outside a mission house that these findings were sold. Moved by curiosity, he advanced to one of these loungers and asked him if he had breakfasted yet that morning, and if not to come along with him. During the conversation he found that these butts were sold to the inmates of the workhouse and other such places for a small sum. Returning to the workhouse, which was by this time open, these tramps could be seen sitting at long tables drinking tea supplied in one cent quantity, and before many of the men were little heaps of cigar and cigarette ends.

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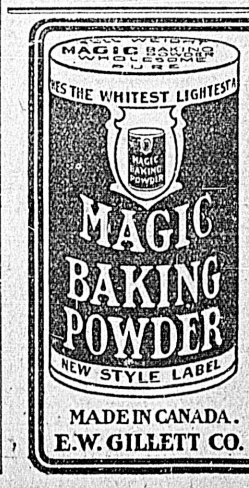

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LOCALS MUST TRAIN HARD

Date of the Final McKechnie Cup Rugby Series Is Announced and Preparation Is Imperative

INTER-CITY GAME THIS AFTERNOON

Victoria and James Bay Teams Are to Try Conclusions in Friendly Exhibition at Royal Athletic Park

Vancouver's ruggers have expressed their willingness to come to the Island to play the final of the McKechnie cup series on the 26th of next month. That Victoria will accept the verdict there isn't the slightest doubt—it is a foregone conclusion. The opinion of many is that it would have been better for the locals had an earlier date been selected because their team is now well organized and just about in as good form as it is likely to be this season. With this engagement coming on so late in February a heavy responsibility is placed on the shoulders of Capt. "Billy" Newcombe, for it is to he the sportsmen will look to see the fifteen held together, trained at regular intervals, and brought on the field ready to do battle and to win. To defeat the Terminal City in this game means so much that the chance can't, must not, be missed. Not only does the British Columbia championship revert to Victoria but with it comes the Pacific coast title which would make it necessary for the Berkeley or Stanford Universities to send their students to the Capital next year in quest of the Copper-Keith trophy.

Captain Awake.

If the indications and all the reports are to be credited, "Capt." Newcombe is alive to the situation and is just as determined as it is possible to be to finally and effectually scalp the mainland bunch when next they venture on the verdant shores of Vancouver's Island. An inter-city match, between Victoria and the James Bay Athletic Association, is one of the events down for today. As will be noted in the list of attractions published in these columns the struggle will be held on the Royal Athletic Association grounds. Than these inter-club contests there could be nothing better to shape up the representative aggregation that will be called on to combat with Vancouver's best next month. Every man who is likely to get a place on the first fifteen will be engaged and will be working under the eyes of the judges of play so that their weaknesses will be discovered and, to as great an extent as feasible, corrected. It would be well if such engagements could be arranged for every week-end from this date forth until the season's climax.

Outsider's Opinion.

An enthusiast referring to today's game has this to say:

The match between the Victoria rugby club and the J.B.A.A. fifteen promises to be a red hot contest throughout. Although the Victoria club has been successful in winning both matches played against their yonger rivals the Bay team has been steadily improving and on this occasion will have out their strongest aggregation. The Victoria team will also have out their full strength and in view of the approach of the next McKechnie cup match all the players on the field will endeavor to do their prettiest to make an impression on the selection committee which will be on hand with their eagle optics looking for promising material. W. Moresby will have charge of the afternoon's performance and the J.B.A.A. will be represented by: Full Back, Johnson; Three Quarters, Vincent, Thompson, Carss, Nason; Half Backs, Grimason, Winsby; Forwards, Sweeney, Miller, Sedger, Kennedy, F. Sweeney, Milligan, Turner, Hiscocks. Reserve, Scott.

SCHOOL SPORTS

When the harriers lined up for their weekly hike yesterday afternoon at the High School, twelve strong and anxious sprinters made ready, but when the two and a half mile jaunt was reeled off they were not so chesty. The tardiest of the dozen strong athletes arrived with the comet. Although some were out of training good exercise was enjoyed and rising with shaky limbs will be the vogue this morning. A speed equal to the London marathon was set by J. Moore, while the whip, whether it stung or was stung is not known, was filled by William Day. The next run takes place next Friday and better times than even yesterday are predicted.

The Esquimalt and North Ward city league teams meet this afternoon at the North Ward park at 2.30 o'clock. If North Ward makes a win of this game it will place the team in the esteemed position of leader of the league, while if the eleven from the western suburb drop the game slim hope is held for it ever attaining any other position than the one it has so amicably held since the inauguration of the series.

For the boys under fourteen in the junior scholastic league, today is gala day. The Central school and the North Warders come together in a soccer game which both teams claim is going to be theirs. Constant practice has been the password with these teams of late, who are both in the running for the honors of the league and the match will be a good one. The game takes place at 10.30 a.m. this morning at the North Ward park.

It is just possible that the fair hockey students of the local High school will take a trip next month to meet the young ladies at the Normal school in Vancouver. At least that is the plan now projected and it is safe that satisfactory arrangements will be made for the journey. A good practice was held yesterday afternoon and Miss Burris has plenty of material available to make one of the strongest school aggregations that ever left the city. Another practice will be pulled off next Tuesday. Regular practices will be held every Tuesday and Friday hereafter.

LADIES' HOCKEY PRACTICE GAME TODAY

At Oak Bay this afternoon at 1.30 o'clock the Victoria lady hockey players will hold a practice match between two teams chosen from the club. The probable team which will play against Vancouver this day week will meet "The Rest," and on the form shown the final eleven to meet Vancouver will be chosen. Prior to today's practice game a meeting of the club committee will be held. Players are requested to catch the 1 p.m. car from town so as to be on hand in time for the teams to be chosen and play to commence sharp at 1.30 p.m.

HOPE TO BRING SOUTHERNER NORTH

SEATTLE, Jan. 28.—Hope of scheduling a race with the University of California crew has not yet been abandoned by Victor Zednick, graduate manager of student affairs of the University of Washington, and although Berkeley has stricken rowing from the list of intercollegiate sports, and so far has arranged no races, a last effort toward inducing California to compete here is to be made.

Manager Zednick yesterday addressed a letter to the California management, and asked that the matter be given consideration, and thoroughly threshed out by the students and members of the rowing club before a final answer to the request to join Washington and Stanford in a three-cornered race on Lake Washington is given. It has been definitely decided to bring Stanford here, the Varsity to pay the entire expenses of the visiting eight.

ISLAND LEAGUE MATCH TODAY

Ladysmith and A. O. F. Teams Line-up at Canteen Grounds—Number of Second Division Fixtures

Of the soccer fixtures down for this afternoon the piece de resistance, if a threadworn expression will be tolerated, is the engagement of the Ladysmith and A. O. F. teams in the Island league series. It will be played at the Canteen grounds, Esquimalt. This being the case, it is a ten to one bet that that area will be the soccerite's Mecca.

The Foresters are out for blood—not literally, for they are not rough players, but figuratively. In other words they are determined to win the match and it will take all the energy and skill of the miners to stop them. Whether the latter possess the requisite cleverness is the question. The score will determine that.

Ladysmith is well enough known to allow to pass without any expatiation. Suffice it to say that they come from a town which, while not large, considers the playing of football one of the chief aims of life. Therefore they have acquired more than the average amount of expertness and may be depended on to put up a first-class exhibition no matter how strong the opposition.

The other attractions do not need much advertisement. They are second division league and junior matches and each will attract the youths who are particularly interested in the fate of the teams engaged and in the trend of the race for their respective championships. The games are as outlined in the calendar of sports published in these columns. Of the three perhaps the most notable is that in which the Victoria West and North Ward elevens will try conclusions on the Oak Bay grounds.

The following will represent the Foresters vs. Ladysmith at the Canteen grounds at 3 p. m. today: Goal, Peden; full-backs Newlands and Lorimer; halves, Wilson, Gregg and Stewart; forwards, Dakers, J. Young, Gowans, Pearson and Todd; reserves, W. Young and Malcolm. Referee, Sid Thompson.

Now it's Salt Lake City. In the light of the disclosure of the contract there seems little doubt that Utah will be the scene of the Jeffries-Johnson fight, if the battle takes place.

FIGHT MUST BE HELD IN UTAH

Terms of Contract Call for Jeffries-Johnson Mill in Salt Lake City—Governor Spry Stands Pat

ELY, Nev., Jan. 28.—As the result of hundreds of queries received relative to the location of the Jeffries-Johnson contest and the so-called controversy between Rickard and Gleason, Tex Rickard today made public the terms of a contract signed last Monday in Ogden by Rickard, Berger and Jeffries. Under this contract the contest is to take place in Salt Lake, unless the authorities interfere, and in case they do interfere, Rickard is to forfeit the entire purse of $101,000 to the contestants, who are to divide it equally in that event.

Governor Firm.

SALT LAKE, Jan. 28.—Governor Spry returned yesterday from Washington, where he attended the convention of governors. He was again assailed with questions as to the Jeffries-Johnson fight, and said: "I see no reason for changing my position in the matter. As I have stated repeatedly, there positively will be no fight in Utah while I am governor."

DUKE MAY CHALLENGE FOR AMERICA CUP

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—New York yachtsmen are much interested in a report from England that the Duke of Sutherland will make an effort to challenge for the America's cup with a yacht of moderate size. The acceptance of such a challenge by the New York Yacht club is doubtful, but yachtsmen say it would mean the liveliest season in the history of the sport here. At least five new yachts and possibly ten or more would be built to meet him. Henry Maxwell, vice-commodore of one of the smaller local yacht clubs, says in a statement given out here today:

"If the duke should come, and I hope he will, it would be one of the most desirable things that could happen for ths sport in this country. I think we can beat him easily. The Englishmen have so far been unsuccessful with large boats, and they will stand even less chance with a small boat. There is nothing in the deed gift to warrant refusal of a challenge from a 70-footer. The limits fixed are 65 to 90 feet, waterline. Of course the club would have the option of matching a 90-footer against the 70-footer, but that would not be very good policy, for the records of the past few years show that when time allowance is considered, the results have been largely in favor of the smaller boats."

BROOKE'S STYLE VERY PUZZLING

"A man must have some experience to have a chance with a man like Brookes. He has such an unusual style of play that he had me puzzled for a long time," says Maurice McLaughlin, the young American tennis player, who, with Melville Long, went to Australia and got licked in trying to win the Davis cup. "He has a way of taking the ball as it rises from the ground, and he would catch me running in before I could get to the bat. I had never before played against a man who did that.

"This trick gives Brookes splendid opportunities to get into the net. And it is his net play that makes him the great player he is. He is good on any kind of a volley up to the height of his head, though his smashing is comparatively weak. His volleying and his service are the two great points of his game.

"Still, I don't think Brookes could beat Larned. Larned has not a single weak spot in his game, while Brookes is unable to smash a good lob with any force, and, moreover, his backhand drive is not so strong as his other strokes. I think if Larned and Clothier went to Australia and were both playing their game they would beat Brookes and Wilding.

"Australia has no young players that can take the place of Brookes and Wilding when either drops out. I saw two boys in Melbourne who show promise and of whom great things are expected, but they have done nothing big as yet. Ron. Heath, the best player in Victoria outside of Brookes, is the only one of the players now in the first class who is expected to improve much, and he is getting near his best. He's about 24 years old."

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FAKED FALL IN KETCHEL FIGHT

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26.—Jack Johnson, the colored champion, has come out with the announcement that he faked the fall in his battle with Stanley Ketchel. Many believed that "The Assassin" had stung the negro, who arose and then rocked the white man to sleep. This is what Jack says of the fight:

"In my career as a fighter the fellows who had the reputation of being hard hitters never hurt me a bit.

"In my fight with Ketchell, I was able to tell every time he was going to start a swing. Whenever he lowered his left arm I knew something was coming, and I set myself for it. I had Ketchel figured right, and when he dropped that left arm I feinted in and then he started to swing, and the only thing I had to do was to step back and jab him any place I wanted to.

"Ketchel never hit me hard enough to hurt me, and my trick in falling in the twelfth round is an old trick of the game, and one which I learned after I fought a few battles. You know when a fighter knocks another man down he generally feels pretty cocky and drops his guard. When I was down and gradually getting up on one knee I had my eye on Ketchell all the time, and timed my opportunity perfectly. When I saw he had dropped his guard entirely, I sprang to my feet and went after him, and before he had a chance to protect himself, I had landed the blow that brought home the bacon.

"So many stories have come to me about not being able to make Jeffries lead. Take it from me I'll make him lead or retreat. I am not a bit afraid of his crouch, and I hope he takes that position when he meets me, but I am afraid he will change his style of fighting entirely. I intend to mix matters from the first tap of the gong, and if I can beat him in the first round I'll do it, pictures or no pictures."

LONG OF SPOKANE TELLS OF FIGHT

SPOKANE, Jan. 28.—Louie Long, Spokane boxer, whose fight with Frankie Edwards, of Frisco, last Thursday night in Portland caused a storm of comment, returned to town last night en route to Chicago, where he has plans afoot for clashing with some of the best fighters of the middle west. As a memento of the Portland mill Long wears a slightly discolored eye. He denies the press reports that he quit in the sixth round.

"Edwards might have outboxed me in six rounds, but he couldn't beat me in a week," said Louie. "I stuck a fast one over on him in the sixth and he got excited and fouled me. The referee was 'wise,' but a bunch in the crowd yelled 'fake' and a kid reporter did the rest. That's all."

The project of organizing a professional lacrosse team for Victoria this season is still in the air. Nothing definite has been done. There is little chance, according to present prospects, of there being a twelve formed here to seriously compete with Vancouver and New Westminster for the Minto cup.

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VICTORIA FELL BEFORE STUDENTS

University of Washington Basketball Team Proved Too Much for the Home Quintette Last Night

The Victoria Y. M. C. A. stalwarts lost last night's exhibition basketball match with the University of Washington at Assembly hall by the score of 31 to 18 points. It was no easy task, the visitors found, to lay the locals low and the large crowd that had gathered to cheer were privileged to see just as polished a contest as has taken place here for some time.

In the opening half the first points were made by the visitors and from that event until the finish they kept just about the same distance ahead. When the interval was called the score was 10 to 5. Though the Y. M. C. A. tried hard they weren't able to prevent the continuance of the tallying. The second half was interrupted when the lights flickered and finally went out altogether. Soon the electric current came back and the match went on the players increasing their speed as a result of the rest secured.

The teams lined-up as follows:

University of Washington—Guards, Clemantson and Rabild; centre, St. Johns (capt.); forwards, Cook and Williams.

Y. M. C. A.—Guards, Roskamp and Campbell; centre, Petticrew; forwards, Whyte (capt.) and McKitrick.

H. G. Findlay refereed satisfactorily.

ABERDEEN STILL WANTS FRANCHISE

SEATTLE, Jan. 27.—Word comes by long-distance telephone from Aberdeen today that the sports of that town are still determined to have representation in the Northwestern league, and to gain that end an effort will be made to get the necessary backing for a team in Everett.

A man by the name of Wilson Buttner has been telling the Aberdeen folk that he thinks he can get the backing for a club in Everettt, and he is supposed to be in that town on that business today.

If Everett can make the right kind of a showing and the directors of the league are convinced that that town will support a team worthy of the league, a franchise will be granted to Everett, and Aberdeen will be taken back into the circuit.

It is violating no confidence to make this statement, for the directors were all ready to give Everett a franchise at the recent meeting, but just about noon of that day the Everett boosters telephoned here that the staff was all off; that they had decided to quit.

A story went out from Tacoma that Tacomas tail end team had a pay-roll of $3,500 per month, and that scared the Everett boys. Then the disquieting reports sent out from Aberdeen about that town being ready to quit also made the Everett fellows dubious, and they concluded to quit.

Everett will still be taken in if the necessary backing for a club is secured there, and if Everett is given a franchise of course Aberdeen will be taken back, for that city was dropped only because the sixth city could not be found.

FAULDER WINS THE EMPRESS HANDICAP

In the final of the Empress billiard handicap, which was played Thursday evening between M. Stewart, minus 100, the winner of the last tourney, and R. Faulder, plus 55, the latter was successful the score standing 250 to 159 at the finish. The match was witnessed by a large crowd of those who have participated in the series and their friends and the steadiness and judgment displayed by Faulder exciting considerable comment. His opponent did not play up to his usual form but still he treated spectators to an excellent exhibition scoring several runs of over the twenty mark. He made, as is indicated by the score when the handicap is figured, just 259 points while Faulder was tallying the 195 necessary to conclude his game.

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URGE GRANT FOR FLOOD VICTIMS

Aid for Paris Sufferers Urged in Senate—Matter Dropped for the Present—Sympathy for France Expressed

OTTAWA, Jan. 28.—There was a spirited discussion in the senate today over the disastrous floods in France and the possibility of Canada making a financial grant to aid the sufferers in distress. Such a gift was warmly advocated, but it was pointed out by Senator Power and Sir Richard Cartwright that the upper house had no authority to recommend such a grant, and the matter dropped for the time being.

Senator Belcourt brought the subject up and referred to the close friendship between France and Great Britain shown by the entente cordiale. Now was a chance offered Canada of showing its sympathy with the French government and French people in both words and deeds.

There had been a subscription list opened for the sufferers, and to that Canada might well contribute.

Senator Porier said subscription lists had already been opened in New York. He thought it proper that Canada should give to her ancient mother country in distress.

Senator Power agreed with an expression of sympathy, but could not agree that financial aid should be offered. France was the richest country in the world and one of the proudest. When a few years ago Canada had offered financial help for the San Francisco disaster the United States had declined to accept. Before Canada made an offer of money it should be learned whether France would accept or not. The Senate had no authority to make a money recommendation.

Sir Richard Cartwright said the whole civilized world felt the kindliest sympathy for Paris in the present disaster, and he reminded the senate, however, that the Prime Minister of Canada was of French extraction, and the expression of Canada's sympathy in the present case could be safely left to him.

Georgian Bay Canal

When the Commons bill extending the time of the Montreal, Ottawa and Georgian Bay Canal company, came up for second reading in the senate, Sir Richard Scott much regretted that the prospects for the project were no brighter than three years ago. He said in 1851 he had attended a banquet at which members of the government of that day had pronounced the canal should be started at once. A sum of money had actually been voted and a contract given to make a lock at Chats Falls. Finally the work was abandoned as the explosives of that day made no impression on the rock. Since then however explosives had much improved. This reminiscent statement that sixty years ago the Georgian Bay canal proposition was a political asset to the government in power appeared to interest the Senate which promptly gave second reading to the bill.

PATRONAGE THE CRYING EVIL

Hon. G. E. Foster Moves Resolution Condemning the Practice Which He Claims Undermines Integrity

OTTAWA, Jan. 28.—The elimination of party patronage from the federal administration was the theme of a speech in the house by Mr. George E. Foster. The government, however, did not accept the advice in the spirit in which it was given, and put up Mr. Hugh Guthrie to move an amendment to Mr. Foster's resolution in which the alleged headway which had been made along the lines of purity and cleanliness in public administration were extolled at length.

Mr. Foster brought the matter up by moving the following resolution:

"That in the opinion of this house, the prevailing system of party patronage constitutes, a menace to honest and efficient government; incites to great waste of resources and extravagance of expenditures; tends inevitably to corrupt and lower the tone of public morals and should forthwith be eliminated from our federal administration."

He made a strong appeal to the government to purge public life clean of the evils attendant upon patronage which system had existed since confederation.

Mr. Foster dwelt on the civil service in which a commission of the government's own creating had found unwholesomeness in connection with certain departments. The patronage system was strictly adhered to. Even now the civil service act only applied to inside the service, leaving the vast army of outside men alone.

He put in a strong plea for Sir Wilfrid Laurier to grasp the idea of a clean and sweet public life, and then consider what a grand thing it would be for Canada if the "beastly carcasses of party patronage" were cremated. The patronage system had even got as high as the bench itself. The judges of Canada under the present system earned their spurs by faithful party services.

Then there was the senate, and Mr. Foster raised a smile by contrasting the famous ancient days in Rome when the leading men of the land were called to the senate with present day conditions when the chamber appeared to be a hospital for party incapables and incurables, appointed, not by reason of their eminent services to the state or their learning, but purely on patronage principles.

True the Senate today contained a few men of power and representative interests, but these merely called more attention to the other incurables.

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., Jan. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. Seth Tibbitts were both instantly killed while attempting to drive across the Erie track in front of a passenger train yesterday.

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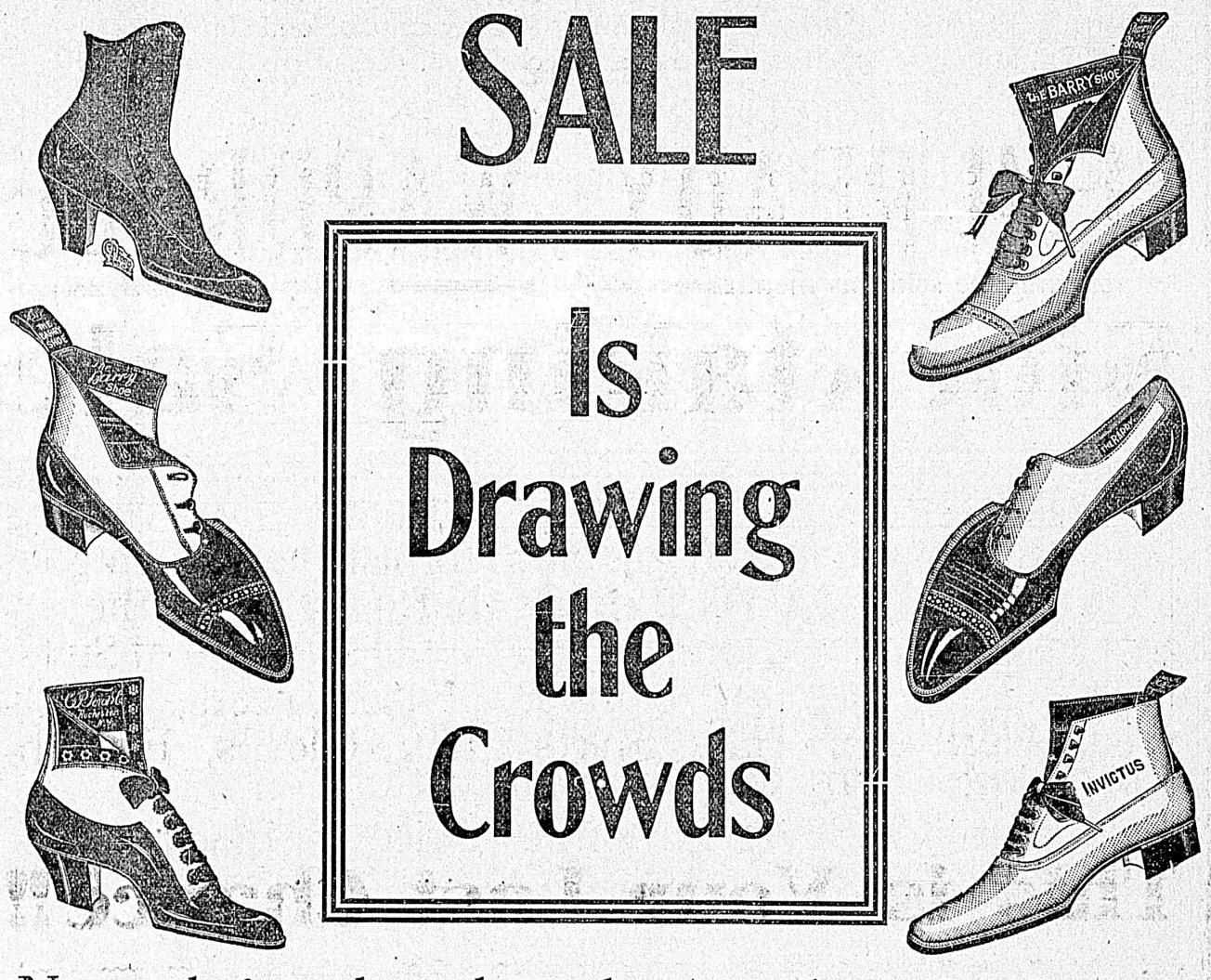

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Negotiations Between Four Nations for the Prohibition of Sealing Are Delayed by Local Interested Parties

CANADA ASKS PURCHASE OF VICTORIA SCHOONERS

This Is the Only Obstacle in the Way of Settlement of the Long-Vexed Sealing Question

The demand for compensation for the sealing schooners and gear of the Victoria sealers owing to the expected prohibition of pelagic sealing is the only obstacle in the way of an agreement being reached between Great Britain, the United States, Japan and Russia for a sealing treaty arranged for the protection or fur seals, according to advices received here today by a person interested in the sealing industry.

Advices were received some time ago that negotiations are under way for an agreement between the four nations interested in pelagic sealing, and it is now stated that the claim on behalf of the Victoria sealers for compensation on the basis of the purchase of the sealing schooners, and gear is all that prevents an agreement being reached. The Canadian government, to whom the London authorities relegated the question, is asking that the sealers be adequately compensated for the loss of their industry by the purchase of their sealing equipment. In 1907 when an offer was received at Ottawa from the United States for a settlement of the vexed sealing question the Washington government offered not only to buy out the vessels and gear of the Victoria sealers, but also to give the Dominion of Canada a quarter interest in the seal herds of the Pribyloff islands. This offer was not accepted by Canada.

Long Closed Season.

No outline of the proposed treaty has been given, but it is understood that the proposals are for a prolonged closed season, for at least ten years, probably more, during which time killing will be suspended both on land and sea.

The principal rookeries of the world are those on the islands of St. Paul and George of the Pribyloff group in Bering sea, owned by the United States and leased until April, when a 20-year lease expires, to the North American Commercial Company of San Francisco, which is permitted to kill seals on a royalty of $10.22 paid to the United States government; the rookeries of Copper and Bering islands of the Commanderofski group, at the outer edge of the Aleutian chain, owned by Russia and ravaged to such an extent by Japanese poachers during the Russo-Japanese war and the two following years when guerilla war raged on the seal islands that the herds are much reduced; On Robben bank and, St. Jonas islands, in the Okhotsch sea, formerly owned by Russia but transferred to Japan by the treaty or Portsmouth; and on Lobon island, off the Argentnie coast. The North Pacific is the chief of the world's sealing grounds and the treaty being arranged between the four nations concerns that ocean.

Neither Russia nor the United States have any pelagic sealers, the later nation having enacted a law forbidding under penalty the outfitting and clearing of schooners from United States ports for sealing purposes. Canada and Japan alone send out pelagic sealers, the industry in Canada being confined to Victoria and Halifax, some vessels being sent to the South Pacific from the eastern port while Victoria is the headquarters and outfitting point for the North Pacific squadron.

Fleet Dwindles.

Once a fleet of between sixty and seventy schooners went from Victoria; last year but five vessels went out. This year the Jessie and Pescawha are out on a cruise off the California coast, and the little schooner Western Slope, the Thomas F. Bayard and Umbrina will probably leave shortly. The Western Slope, built as a fishing vessel, ranks with the Ella G. of "Sea Wolf" McLean as the smallest vessel sent out. She is taking three boats and twelve men. The vessel, which will be in command of Capt. Lump, is of 19 tons register.

Japan has been sending out the most schooners during the past few years, and, as that nation was not included in the scope of the treaty under which the regulations restricting pelagic sealing were brought into force, these schooners have hunted to the most advantage. While Canadian sealers have been obliged to maintain a closed season, to hunt with spears and remain more than 60 miles from the rookeries, the Japanese have had no closed season to manitain, have used firearms and have gone to within three miles of the rookeries. Last year 38 schooners from Japanese ports went to Bering sea.

That this will be the last year of sealing at sea is the opinion of all local sealing men. They anticipate that the negotiations now under way will shortly result in the refusal to clear vessels for sealing, and before this season ends it is probable that these orders will be received.

EVERETT G. GRIGGS LOADS AT CHEMAINUS

Big Six-Masted Barkentine Hailing From Victoria Will Take Lumber to South Africa

The bix six masted barkentine Everett G. Griggs of Victoria, B. C.—only vessel of her type on the seven seas—has been chartered to load lumber at Chemainus. The Everett G. Griggs was recently sold by the Victoria and Puget Sound syndicate in which Alex. McDermott, Capt. F. W. Amesbury and Capt. J. S. Gibson of the Victoria and Vancouver Stevedoring company were interested, being purchased by Capt. E. R. Sterling of Seattle and associates. Capt Sterling has completed negotiations with the Victoria Mills of Chemainus to carry a cargo to South Africa. The big barkentine, which is now at Tacoma, is a very large carrier, taking from two million to two and a half million feet. The dismasted ship William H. Smith recently picked up and towed to Seattle in distress, was carrying a cargo of lumber from Chemainus to South Africa. The French ship Emperur Menelik is now at the Chemainus mills taking on cargo. The demand from South Africa for lumber this season has been large. The bark Charmer, ship G. W. Wolff and ship W. E. Babcock, the latter now stormbound at Clallam bay, all loaded for South Africa.

The British ship Senator is another windjammer fixed for lumber from Puget Sound. The vessel has been on the disengaged list here since May 15, 1908, her owners preferring to have the vessel idle rather than accept cargo at the prevailing rates. The Senator has aboard the apprentices of the wrecked bark Matterhorn. The Senator loads for the United Kingdom.

Grace & Co., have fixed the British bark Forthbank, now at Callao to load lumber on the Sound for return to the West coast.

The Norwegian steamer Eir, which has commenced repairs at the Heffernan yards where she will remain on the dry dock about two weeks, has been chartered by the China Export and Import Company to load lumber for the Orient on a time charter at £8,00 a month with redelivery on the other side.

WILL REPAIR EIR

Contract for Work on Norwegian Steamer Given to Heffernan Yards for $19,000.

The contract for repairs on the steamship Eir, a Norwegian vessel fixed by Comyn Mackall & Co., to load for the Orient and damaged while carrying a cargo from Seattle to the West Coast via San Francisco will be awarded this afternoon to the Heffernan Engine Works of Seattle.

The Eir went ashore on Cape Mendocino while proceeding from Seattle to San Francisco several months ago. Temporary repairs were made at San Francisco and she went on with her trip, returning to this port direct from South America. The bids were opened last week and submitted to the owners and Lloyd's agents in London. The Heffernan Engine Company was the lowest of four bidders, including the Moran company of Seattle, the B. C. Marine Railway Company of Victoria and the Oregon Drydock Company of Portland. There were also some figures from San Francisco received later, but they were not good enough to get the work.

Repairs will necessitate the vessel being on the drydock for seventeen days. The cost will be about $19,000.

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Toronto, the Queen City of Canada, has much of the beautiful. It is found in the many handsome churches, artistic public buildings, imposing offices, public drives, parks and gardens. Its government buildings are fine. Of hotels there are many; none, however, approaching the Queen's for perfect service, quiet comfort, and homelike surroundings, and the peculiar excellence of its cuisine. Its fame is far-reaching, and many remember with pleasure the hours spent within its hospitable walls. The charges are based on the American and European plan, and are as follows:

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

By Government Wireless

Cape Lazo, 8 a.m.—Clear; calm; bar., 30.10; temp., 20; sea smooth.

Point Grey, 8 a.m.—Clear; calm; bar., 30.08; temp., 36.

Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Part coudy; wind N.E. 4 miles; bar., 30.25; temp., 40; out, Manzanita, 6.15 p.m.; in, Admiral Sampson, 9.30 p.m.

Estevan, 8 a.m.—Clear; calm; bar., 30.27; temp., 31; heavy swell.

Pachena, 8 a.m.—Clear; wind N.E.; bar., 30.13; temp., 30; heavy swell.

Cape Lazo, noon — Clear; calm; bar., 30.20; temp., 38; sea smooth.

Point Grey, noon—Clear; bar., 30.29; temp., 43.

Tatoosh, noon—Cloudy; wind N.E. 6 miles; bar., 30; temp., 33; sea moderate; in, Leelanaw, 8.10; out, schooner Alex C. Brown, 10 a.m.; out, R. Hind, in town, 11.15 a.m.

Pachena, noon—Cloudy; wind S.E.; bar., 30.17; temp., 39; heavy swell; Tees at Banfield, 11.30; Snohomish 15 miles west Barclay Sound eastbound; 2-masted steamer with well deck to southeast, westbound at 12.2. S.E.; bar., 30.23; temp., 38;

Estevan, noon—Cloudy; wind heavy swell.

Tatoosh, 6 p.m.—S.E. wind; bar., 29.95; temp., 56; sea smooth; in, tug Snohomish, 5 p.m., and steamer Queen 5.25 p.m.

Estevan, 6 p.m.—Cloudy; S.E. wind; bar., 29.95; temp., 45; sea smooth; no shipping.

Pachena, 6 p.m.—Cloudy; S.E. wind; bar., 29.95; temp., 45; sea smooth; spoke steamer Tees leaving Point at 3.40 p.m.

Cape Lazo, 6 p.m.—Cloudy; S.E. wind; bar., 29.98; temp., 56; sea smooth; no shipping.

Point Grey, 6 p.m.—Calm; S.E. wind; bar., 29.56; temp., 45; sea smooth; out, steamer Moana 2.10 p.m.

STEAMER NORWAY FOR LOCAL TRADE

Christiana Passenger and Mail Steamer the Latest Acquisition for British Columbia Service

The Norwegian steamer Norway of Christiana has been purchased by a Glasgow firm on account of British Columbians for the coasting trade of this province, according to advices received here today. The Norway, which was built by the Grangemouth Dockyard company about nineteen years ago has been used regularly to trade between Grangemouth and Christiana with mails, passengers and cargo. It is believed that the purchase of the steamer is one the Grand Trunk Pacific company which recently purchased the Hull steamer Bruno of T. Wilson & Sons., also engaged in traffic across the North Sea. No confirmation or denial of this, however, is obtainable here. The price paid for the steamer was about $45,000.

The Norway is a vessel of similar type of the Bruno, twenty feet shorter. She is slightly larger than the Vadso, being 19 feet longer than that vessel. The Norway which was owned by the Dampskibsselskabet Faerder (Fred Olsen, manager) is a steel screw steamer of 95 tons gross, 574 net tons, with one iron deck and awning deck. She is 202.7 feet long, 30.1 feet beam, and 208 feet deep. The propelling machinery consists of a triple expansion engine with cylinders 17 1-2, 27 and 46 inches in diameter with a 33 inch stroke.

The steamer is being overhauled at Grangemouth for her trip to Victoria, and is expected to leave England shortly. The steamer Bruno is being overhauled and improved at Liverpool under instructions given by the Grand Trunk Pacific company, and will proceed to Victoria en route to Prince Rupert as soon as these are completed.

SNOHOMISH LOST SUSIE M. PLUMMER

Found Derelict With Two Anchors Holding and Tried Ineffectually to Tow Her—Steamer Drifting

The U. S. S. Snohomish reported to Pachena by wireless last night on her way back from an ineffectual attempt to recover the derelict four-masted schooner Susie M. Plummer, which has been adrift since early December with her crew gone. The Snohomish reported that after being advised by the steamer Tees, which found the Plummer last Tuesday eight miles southwest of Cape Cook, she proceeded in search, and found the derelict anchored in 45 fathoms of water off Cape Russell, near the northern extreme of Vancouver island. Both anchors were down and all the chain out. A boat's crew from the Snohomish went on board, cut the anchor chains and made a hawser fast. The Snohomish then started to tow. The Plummer's deck was gone and most of her seams open. Most of the cargo of lumber had been washed away, and the sea was constantly breaking across her. She steered badly, and the hawser parted after she had been towed at a low speed for twenty minutes. The Snohomish stood by until dark, by which time the Plummer had cleared the rocks off the entrance to San Jose Bay, eight miles southeast from Cape Scott, and was drifting past Vancouver island before a west southwest wind.

The Snohomish will now be allowed to drift until the seas have completed their work. She may bring up on the Queen Charlotte island coast, as did the missing schooner American Girl some years ago, or break up in Hecate Strait. If the dragging anchors had not caught in 45 fathoms of water it is most likely that the Susie M. Plummer would have gone ashore on the outlying rocks off San Josef Bay, which is two miles wide and three miles deep, with steep sides. It was here that the colony of Scandinavians living near Cape Scott had their landing place.

RATE WAR WAITS ON DECISION

Steamship Companies May Continue Strife With Return of the Humboldt to Skagway Run

With the Steamship Humboldt scheduled to sail north from San Francisco February 1, after completing extensive repairs, and the cut rates on the Southeastern Alaska run still in force, shipping men are looking for a continuance of the rate war all summer, with no change in the alignment of the contending forces unless the United States interstate commerce commission issues a favorable decision on the protest entered by the Humboldt Steamship Company against the refusal of the White Pass & Yukon railroad to give the Humboldt through rates, the same as given the Alaska Steamship Company, the Canadian Pacific Railway Steamship Company, and the Pacific Coast Steamship Coast Steamship Company.

The interstate commission met in Seattle last October and under ordinary circumstances the descision may be looked for early in the spring, but as the question embodies several knotty problems, including an international bearing, only twenty-six miles of the railroad in from Skagway being on United States soil, the remainder of the railroad running through Canadian, the outcome of the dispute before the commission may be displayed longer than is ordinary. And if the decision is favorable to the Humboldt, the matter will have to be brought up before the Canadian railroad commission, as it is unlikely that the White Pass road in Canada will feel called on to obey the injunctions of an American tribunal in Canadian territory until ordered to do so by the Canadian authorities.

In the meantime the spring business will be opening up in Alaska with heavy shipments into the interior, which of course will not be included in the rate cutting, the cuts only extended to coast ports. Business to the southeastern ports will also be heavy, including the cannery supplies, and while the steamers will be filled up with local freights the steamship end of the business will not be particularly remunerative.

Business men in Southeastern Alaska affected by the rate war have been sending an anxious time awaiting the settlement of the war, as with rates uncertain they have been unable to contract on local business with any certainty of the freight rate they will have to pay when the goods are delivered.

MOANA LEAVES FOR THE ANTIPODES

Took Full Complement of Passengers and Good Cargo to Southern Colonies.

The steamer Moana of the Canadian-Australian line sailed from the outer wharf last night on her last trip to the Antipodes with a full complement of passengers and good freight, including drugs, paper, agricultural machinery and general merchandise. The steamer will be replaced by the stamer Marama. The Aorangi is being replaced for one trip by the Maitai, better known here as the Miowera, and later by a liner of the Makura type, being constructed for the Union S. S. Co. in Scotland. The Maitai will leave Sydney on February 14.

The Moana's passenger list, which is a large one, follows:

Saloon list—Mrs. J. G. Allan and infant, Mr. W. S. Annandale, Mr. C. Armstrong, Mr. C. R. Bailey, Mr A. Balchin, Mr. Thomas Bellamy, Mrs. Thomas Bellamy, Mr. Billington, Mr. J. C. Bishop, Miss M. Blackburn, Miss N. Blackburn, Mr. J. J. Bushell, Miss Bushell, Mr. F. F. Busteed, rs. F. F. Busteed, Mr. L. Cadwalader, Mr T. Cadwalader, Miss Robie Case, Mr. R. P. Cole, Mr. Wm. Crossley, Mrs. L. N. De Wolfe, Miss Ruby Dew, Mr. H. P. Dickenson, Mrs. H. P. Dickenson, Mr. E. E. Elston, Mrs. E. E. Elston, Mrs H. W. Fraser, Mrs. W Greenus, Miss H. Greenus, Mr. Charles J. Hall, Mrs. Charles Hall, Mr. M. S. Higgs, Mrs. F. F. Higgs and infant, Master Wm. Higgs, Miss Nora Higgs, Miss Betty Higgs, Miss May Higgs, Mr E. Hodgkinson, Rev. J. Mackey, Mr. William Macomber, Mr. Horace Middaugh, Mrs. H. iddaugh, Master Teddy Middaugh, Mrs. Anna M. Moller, Mr. A. Morrison, Mrs. A. Morrison, Mr. R. McCormick, Miss Elinor McCormack, Mrs. J. W. McDonald, Mr. C. McNab, rs. C. McNab, Miss McNab, Mr. F. E. Noad, Mr. C. A. Pratt, Mrs. C. A. Pratt, Mr. F. F. Prentiss, Miss Quinan, Mr. Rawlinson, Mr. Rawlinson, Mr. Roundy, Miss Etta Sherman, Dr. Smailey, Mrs. Smailey, Dr. F. N. B. Smart, Mr. F. B. Smith, Mrs. F. B. Smith, Mr. Starrett, Mr. Steele, Mrs. Steel, Mrs. G. A. Tudhope, Mr. N. A. Tulk, Mrs. N. A. Tulk, Mrs. Wellbourne, Mr. J. W. Whyte, Mrs. J. W. Whyte, Mr. T. W. Williams, Mrs. T. W. Williams, Miss C. A. Williams, Mr. E. E. Wotton.

Cabin list—Mrs. W. G. Brown, Mrs. W. G. Brown, Mr. J. A. Brown, Miss Grace Buckenham, Mr. O. Burg, Mr. C. C. Countryman, Mr. G. B. Covell, Mrs. G. B. Covell and child, Mr. Moses Cowley, Mr. James Donald, Mrs. Fraser, Miss Lizzie Hall, Mr. Paxman Hatch, Rev. Heider, Mrs. Heider, Miss Ada Hind, Mr. Wm. N. Horsey, Mrs. Wm. N. Horsey, child and infant, Mr. C. Hughes, Mr. David H. Jones, Miss Kitchin, Mr. E. McIntosh, Mr. Frank McMaster, Mr. Jas. McMurray, Mr. John A. Nelson, Mr. M. Newman, Mr. R. S. Nobbs, Mrs. R. S. Nobbs, Mr. A. S. Nobbs, Mr. P. Nutt, Mr. Wm. E. Orton, Mr. George S. Pack, Mr. A. L. Rollins, Mr. W. G. Sears, Mrs. W. J. Sears, Mr. J. Shannon, Miss Shannon, Mr. Simmons, Mr. J. G. Simpson, Mrs. J. G. Simpson, Mr. Earl Talbot, Mr. Yeuo Yao Ten, Mr. V. Vangreson, Dr. Whittaker, Mr. Ephraim Wright.

Hermine Coming North.

The Australian steamer Hermine left Guaymas on January 21 for Comox.

Suveric on Way.

Steamer Suveric of the Bank line left Yokohama on Thursday for Victoria with two saloon and 20 steerage pasengers for Victoria and 4,600 tons of freight.

Waddon Has Accident.

Str Waddon loaded with lumber from Hastings mill for Melbourne is in Royal Roads awaiting the completion of repairs to an eccentric which broke when the steamer was in Active Pass.

H.M.S. Algerine.

H. M. S. Algerine will not reach Esquimalt as soon as was expected. The reports received of her departure from San Francisco were erroneous. The sloop-of-war is still at the Golden gate and is to remain there until Monday. She is taking coal and supplies at San Francisco.

Tacoma Maru Leaves.

The steamer Tacoma Maru passed out yesterday for the Orient from Tacoma with cargo valued at $491,371. Heavy shipments of cotton and salt herring were included.

REVENUE CUTTER TAHOMA AT ESQUIMALT

New United States Steamer Pays Her First Visit—Will Remain Until Tomorrow.

The steamer Tahoma, a new revenue cutter recently assigned to duty in the North Pacific, reached Esquimalt yesterday in command of Lieut. Satterlee, who will be remembered here as chief officer of the U.S.S. Grant, Capt. Tozier, when that vessel made occasional visits to this port. The Tahoma came from the Sound and will remain until tomorrow when she will return to Port Townsend.

WILL BRING SUGAR FROM JAVA'S PORTS

Steamer Baron Ogilvy Chartered by B. C. Sugar Refinery to Bring Full Cargo.

The B. C. Sugar Refinery of Vancouver has chartered the British steamer Baron Ogilvy, a new vessel of 2,900 tons, to load raw sugar at Soerabaya and Samarang in Java for Vancouver. The Baron Ogilvy reached Bombay on December 26th with a cargo from Genoa, and proceeded from the Indian port to Java to load. The Baron Ogilvy is the latest freighter added to the big fleet of "Barons" owned by H. Hogarth & Co., of Ardrossan, Scotland.

FEARS FOR VIRGINIA

Apprehension for Safety of Schooner Which Left San Francisco Twenty-Eight Days Ago.

PORTLAND, Jan 27.—Serious apprehension is felt here over the safety of the schooner Virginia, which sailed from San Francisco for the Columbia river December 31. The Virginia, after coming up to the mouth of the river on January 11, disappeared and has not been heard from since. Two or three days ago an incoming steamer reported sighting a four-mast schooner, thought to be the Virginia standing off the river, and it was taken for granted until today that this was correct. Now it is thought that the schooner sighted was not the Virginia, but the Mable Gale, which arrived here today from San Pedro.

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Mr. Joseph Doucet, an employee in the mills at Petit Rocher, Gloucester County, New Brunswick, proves all this in a letter dated June 22nd, 1909, in which he says: "My illness came through an obstinate case of constipation, so severe that I was unable to do my daily work in the mills. Pains after eating due to bad digestion and frequent headaches, afflicted me off and on for nearly ten years. My breath was offensive, my tongus badly coated and my skin very sallow. I lost weight, suffered intense pains in nearly every part of my body and often was very dizzy. For years I was trying to bear up under this strain. The rheumatism in my arms added to my miseries.'

Every one of these symptoms which Mr. Doucet describes so well comes with Indigestion. His food was poisoning, instead of nourishing him. Now read what he did.

"I searched continually for medicines and had medical treatment, but found no benefit at all until I began to use Mother Seigel's Syrup and Pills. The very first bottle brought me the relief I had been seeking, and the contents of three bottles restored me to good health."

Food was the fuel which Mr. Doucet needed in his laborious work, but it was of no use to him unless he could digest it and gain nourishment from it. That was exactly the point at which Mother Seigel's remedies helped him—and he was cured quickly and thoroughly.

TIDE TABLE

Victoria, January, 1910.

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The time used in Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water.

The height is in feet and tenths of a foot, above the average level of the lowest low water in each month of the year. This level is half a foot lower than the datum to which the soundings on the Admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are reduced.

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Facts Regarding Victoria
Vancouver Island

VICTORIA, Vancouver Island, advanced greatly during 1909, and ALL PREVIOUS RECORDS WERE BROKEN, in the value of new buildings; bank clearances; amount of municipal work; sales of real estate; tourist trade, and in increase of population.

Victoria Must Make Enormous Progress During 1910, Because During 1910 the Following Will Be Under Way:

(1) The largest amount of municipal work in the history of Victoria, including such works as the permanent paving and modern lighting of Yates, Douglas, Fort and other streets.

(2) Alberni extension of the E. & N. Railway.

(3) Cowichan Lake extension of the E. & N. Railway.

(4) Construction of the Goldstream Pipe-line by the Esquimalt Waterworks Company; which, together with the existing City Waterworks system ensures a most abundant supply of water to Victoria and adjacent districts.

(5) Development of electric power at Jordan River, at a cost of $1,500,000.00, by the B. C. Electric Railway; and the extension of this Company's railway lines in the city of Victoria, and throughout the adjacent farming and fruit growing districts.

(6) Increased train services on the E. & N. Railway and on the V. & S. Railway.

(7) Many fine new buildings, such as the Empress Hotel addition of 68 rooms; the magnificent Pemberton block (said to be the largest office building in British Columbia); the "Times" newspaper and office building; the Sayward Block; large additions to the Parliament Buildings; Grand Trunk Pacific Railway's extensive docks and offices, and several other new wharves; new station of the Victoria & Sidney Railway; the $100,000.00 Y. M. C. A. Building; large addition to the Dominion Hotel; enlargement of sawmills; new schools, etc.

The Building Permits for January, 1910, already exceed (18th January) the total Permits for the whole month of January last year.

(8) Completion of the magnificent scenic Mill Bay wagon and automobile road.

(9) The re-establishment of Esquimalt (two miles distant from Victoria's present boundary) as a Naval Base by the Canadian authorities.

(10) Extensive harbor improvements in Victoria Harbor.

(11) The laying out and improvement of several very large residential tracts adjacent to Victoria.

(12) In addition to the present large fleet of steamers regularly making use of the harbor of Victoria, there will be an increase during 1910 of from fifteen to twenty passenger steamers alone, including such new vessels as the palatial Grand Trunk Pacific Railway's steamers, the "Prince Rupert" and "Prince George" (sister ships to the well-known C. P. R. "Princesses"), and various other large new vessels of the C. P. R., the Alaska Steamship Co., the Boscowitz Steamship Co., the Mackenzie Steamship Co., etc., etc.

Guarantee

The above facts are guaranteed to be an exact and correct list of some of the known improvements that are to be made during the year 1910.

Some Noteworthy Opinions

The Premier of British Columbia, in his New Year's message said: "British Columbia during the past year has enjoyed wonderful developments, and everything points to 1910 being the most prosperous year in the history of the Province. **THE EXPANSION OF THE COMING TWELVE MONTHS WILL BE UNEXAMPLED,** and an indication of the great future of the Pacific Coast of Canada." Victoria is the capital of British Columbia; the farthest West city in Canada; and the wealthiest per capita in America.

The Prince and Princess of Wales said of Victoria in 1901: "It was the most beautiful city they had seen in their trip around the world."

Rudyard Kipling said of British Columbia's climate: "It is the most perfect in the world, and the best of it is experienced in Victoria."

We fully endorse the following extract from a New Year's Editorial in one of Victoria's newspapers: "Victoria is a magnet of itself; this climate of ours, and it does not belong to Victoria alone but extends over a large area, is one of the most valuable of our assets. Nature made this part of Vancouver Island for a home for people. She prepared the land for it, so that there may be innumerable homes and picturesque surroundings. She has spread out a series of panoramic views, such as one might search in vain elsewhere to discover. She endowed us with beautiful water stretches. She blessed us with the finest of climates. She protected us from malaria and insect pests. She gave our soil a fertility that will enable it to produce the finest of vegetables, fruits and flowers. These are real assets."

Victoria bank clearances for the first three weeks in January, 1910, show the following percentages of increase over the corresponding periods of 1909:—

First week—Increase ..... 87 per cent.
Second week—Increase ..... 97 per cent.
Third week—Increase ..... 48 per cent.

Greater Victoria today is the same size (namely about 50,000) that Seattle was in 1897 when the Klondike Rush began; we think those who read this page must agree with us when we assert, as we do, that Victoria's prospects today are undeniably superior to what Seattle's were when Seattle's great expansion commenced in 1897.

General inquiries regarding Victoria or Vancouver Island may be addressed to the following:

The Mayor of Victoria
Victoria Board of Trade
Victoria Development Association

In Addition We Confidently Anticipate the Following During the Year 1910:

(1) The Canadian Northern Railway to commence construction on the Barkley Sound and Victoria Railway, etc.

(2) The construction of various large new sawmills at Cowichan Bay, and other points, and an enormous increase in the lumber business, as on Vancouver Island is the largest accessible compact body of merchantable timber in the world.

(3) Canadian Pacific Railway to clear up for settlement large tracts of land along the line of the E. & N. Railway.

(4) The construction at an early date of Iron and Steel Works on Vancouver Island.

(5) The opening up during 1910 of several new coal mines on Vancouver Island.

(6) The establishment at Victoria or Esquimalt (two miles distant from Victoria's present boundary) of additional shipbuilding facilities on a much larger scale than at present existing.

(7) We confidently look forward to a great increase in the population of Victoria during 1910, and with increased Steamship and Hotel accommodation the Tourist Season of 1910 will undoubtedly be the heaviest on record.

(8) We estimate that the "out-of-the-ordinary" expenditure during 1910 on new developments tributary to Victoria will amount to from $6,000,000 to $8,000,000.

Climate

The climate of Vancouver Island approximates closely that of Great Britain, modified by its geographical situation. The proximity of the snow-capped Olympian mountains has a marked effect on the summer temperature, which is never intensely hot, while the Japan current, striking the west coast, brings with it moisture and heat, which temper the severity of the winter. The remarkable advantages Victoria enjoys over all other coast points, the small amount of rainfall and moderate temperature, are strikingly illustrated in the meteorological returns for the years 1907, 1908, and 1909. The influence of the Japan current, and other factors combine to produce a result which is perhaps best shown by the fact that the isothermal lines showing highest temperature in summer and lowest temperature in the winter, intersect at Victoria, thus demonstrating that it enjoys the double advantage of both the ideal summer and ideal winter temperature. The following is a condensation of the returns in question:

Average temperature, 1907	50.5 deg.
" " 1908	50.0 deg.
" " 1909	48.5 deg.
Rainfall, 1907	22.0 ins.
" 1908	26.70 ins.
" 1909	29.98 ins.
Average highest temperature at Victoria during the last 20 years	84.2 deg.
Average lowest temperature at Victoria during last 20 years	17.3 deg.

Investors

Enquirers regarding investments, lands or homes will receive a list of reliable firms with whom they may safely transact business, upon application to the

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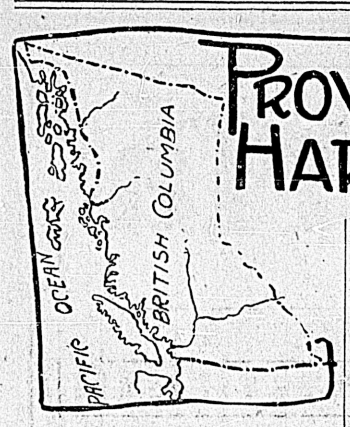

PROVINCIAL HAPPENINGS

It is now illegal for provincial surveyors to stake land.

Kaslo rejoices in having again been made a customs sub-port of entry.

Clotheslines thieves are terrorizing the housewives of Phoenix and Greenwood.

Leonard, the "coffee palace" man of Vancouver, has paid $52,000 for a lot in Calgary, where he will establish one of his famous cheap restaurants.

O. A. Gagnow, a Vancouver cabinet maker, had the misfortune to fall across a power rip-saw a few days ago, his arm being sawn through to the bone.

The Greenwood Board of Trade has protested to Sir Wilfrid Laurier against an extension of time to the V., V. E., until the branch from Midway to Greenwood is completed.

Last year one person in every 92 of Vancouver's population died. At this rate, remarks the "Greenwood Ledge," unless more people come in, not even "Wings" Wilkinson will be left in the Terminal City in 92 years.

Peter Grant has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment for shooting his brother at Chesaw. The deed was committed while both brothers were drinking, and quarreling in consequence.

Elmer H. Hall has inaugurated publication of the "Bossburg Herald." Mr. Hall also owns a butcher shop, and advertises in his own paper an especially fine line of pig's feet, etc. The "Herald" should live a thousand years.

At the recent joint installation of officers of Phoenix and Greenwood lodges of the Daughters of Rebekah, past grands' jewels were presented to Mrs. J. G. Pichard, Mrs. L. Tait, Mrs. E. Marshall and Mrs. M. A. McKenzie.

J. Thorne, the government line foreman on the Northern telegraph system, reports that the G.T.P. construction forces are co-operating in every possible way to keep the line open. Most of the interruptions caused by the right-of-way clearing gangs are repaired by them at once.

A. Carrington, a C. P. R. brakeman, has been admitted to Kamloops hospital suffering from internal injuries received by falling from his train, through the train breaking. It is his third serious accident since he entered the company's service in June last.

Over Hope Pass

"Jim" Hill's statement that he would build his railway line over Hope Mountain is about to be realized. It is learned from A. E. Howse, who has just returned from Princeton and the Similkameen that the Great Northern has let the contract for another 30 miles of road from Princeton to this side of the construction work. Some time ago it was announced that the contract for 50 miles of road ,from the Abbotsford side had been let to Foley, Welch & Co., who have secured this new contract, and together with the latest contract let there is now left but a distance of about 34 miles of road to be constructed over the Hope Mountain to form the connecting link in the line. That there was a tremendously large reason back of Mr. Hill's daring feat of engineering is seen from a few facts about the country as related by Mr. Howse.

"The new line," he said," will throw a large part, if not the greater part, of the Similkameen trade to Vancouver, and will open one of the richest coal-bearing districts in the entire country. This trade at present is being diverted to Spokane, Washington, which is benefitting greatly thereby. However, Vancouver is the logical point of outlet for the thousands and thousands of tons of coal that must be sent out from the district. The coal itself is lignite, of the best imaginable availability for house use, and there are 20,000 acres of it untouched as yet. The entire town of Princeton is underlaid by a great coal seam, the wealth of which can hardly be realized.

CAUCUS CONSIDERS SCHOOL ACT CHANGES

(Continued from Page 2.)

schools of the province, and further supplemented by an advanced Normal school certificate, may be made valid for life. All applicants for second and first class certificates must hold advanced certificates of the Provincial Normal school or of other Normal schools approved by the council of public instruction."

Considered in Caucus

The provisions of the new School Act amendment bill as above briefly indicated, were considered in caucus of the government supporters yesterday evening, and heartily approved, as it is understood were also numerous other examples of the government legislation of the session, including the bill providing for medical inspections in schools, the University Site Selection Commission bill, the bill to amend the Childrens Protective Act, etc.

As at present understood the new legislation as above outlined compasses all contemplated amendments to the School Act during the present session, from which it may be deduced that the government does not deem it the part of wisdom to introduce the radical progressive legislation in the direction of Parental schools, etc., advocated by the Vancouver deputation which interviewed the government on Thursday morning last. The innovations proposed by this deputation were so extremely radical that the proposals—especially with respect to Paternal schools—will no doubt be read with general interest.

The section in the draft bill submitted for the consideration of the Minister in regard to Paternal Schools reads in its entirety as follows:

Paternal Schools

"The school authorities of any City school district may establish schools, or set apart separate rooms in public school buildings for children between seven and sixteen years of age who are habitual or incorrigible truants from instruction upon which they are lawfully required to attend, or who are insbordinate or disorderly during their attendance upon such instuction or irregular in such attendance. Such school or room shall be known as a Parental School, but no person convicted of crimes or misdemeanors other than truancy shall be committed thereto. Such authorities may provide for the confinement, maintenance and instruction of such children in such schools, and they, or the persons authorized by them in any City School District may after a reasonable notice to any such child and the person in parental relation to such child, and an opportunity given to be heard and with the consent in writing of the person in parental relation to any such child, order such child to attend school or to be confined and maintained therein under such rules and regulations as such authorities may prescribe for a period not exceeding two years; but in no case shall a child be so confined after he is sixteen years of age. And if the persons in parental relation to such a child shall not consent to either such order, such conduct of the child shall be deemed disorderly conduct and the child may be proceeded against before a Magistrate of Justice of the Peace, as a disorderly person and upon conviction thereof, if the child was lawfully required to attend a public school, the child shall be sentenced to be confined and maintained in such Parental School for a period not exceeding two years. Such confinement shall be conducted with a view to the improvement and to the restoration, as soon as practicable, of such child to the institution elsewhere upon which he may be lawfully required to attend. The authorities committing any such child, or the Superintendent of Schools in any city where the child is, shall have the authority in their or his discretion to parole at any time any truant so committed. Every child suspended from attendance upon instruction by the authorities in charge of furnishing such instruction for more than one week, shall be required to attend such Parental School during the period of such suspension. The school authorities of any city school district not having a Parental School may contract with any other city having a parentl school for the confinement, maintenance and instruction therein of children whom such school authorities might require to attend a Parental School if there were one in their own City or District."

Employment of Children.

Another interesting section proposed to make it the law of the land that:

"In city school districts no child under the age of fourteen shall be employed for any purpose by any corporation, person or association of persons during the hours when the public school of the district in which such child resides is in session unless the child presents an Employment Certificate as provided for in sub-section "d" of this section of this act—and every owner, superintendent or overseer of any establishment of any corporation, person or association of persons employing any such child shall keep such certificate ready for production so long as such child is employed in such establishment.

"It shall be the duty of the trustees of every public school, or any person authorized by them, after being notified that the provisions of the last sub-section of this act have been violated, to make complaint of such violation to a magistrate; and it shall be competent for the public magistrate of any city or town to investigate and decide in a summary manner upon such complaint and to impose a fine of not exceeding $25 for the first offence and double that penalty for each subsequent offence, which fine and penalty shall be enforced as provided in section 84 of this Act. Proof that any child under fourteen years of age is employed during any part of the period during any part of the period during which a public school of a district is in session shall be deemed prima facie evidence of a violation of this sub-section.

"A truant officer or any other person authorized by the trustees of any school district, in the performance of his duty, may enter during business hours, any factory, workshop, mercantile or other establishment within the city school district in which he is appointed, and shall be entitled to examine Employment Certificates of Registry of children employed, on demand. Any person interfering with a truant officer or other person in the lawful discharge of his duties, and any person owning or operating a factory, workshop, mercantile or other establishment who shall refuse or neglect to answer truthfully all questions asked by such officer in reference to any of the provisions of this sub-section shall for each offence on conviction thereof before a police magistrate, on the oath of one credible witness, forfeit and pay for public school purposes to the school district in which the offence was committed, such sum not exceeding twenty dollars together with the costs of the conviction as the said police magistrate shall think fit.

During School Hours.

"No children under the age of fourteen years shall be employed for any purpose by any corporation, person or association of persons during the hours when the public schols of the district in which such child resides are in session unless the said child shall present a certificate called an Employment Certificate from the Board of School Trustees, or any other person authorized by them, excusing the said child from attendance from school and setting forth the reason for such excuse, the residence and age of the child and the time for which such excuse is given. The form of such Employment Certificate shall be furnished by the respective Boards of School Trustees.

"It shall be the duty of all parents, guardians or other persons having at any time immediate charge of any child being of the age of seven to fourteen (being between the seventh and fourteenth birthday) or of any child being of the age of fourteen and sixteen (being between the 14th and 16th birthdays) who is not regularly and lawfully employed in some useful and remunerative occupation to see that such child attends school or otherwise be educated for the full time in which the school of the district where said child resides or attends is in session, subject to the exemptions provided for in Section 1 of this Act.

"It shall be the duty of the Trustees of every public school, or any other person authorized by them, after having been notified that the parents or guardians, or other persons having the immediate charge of such child continues to neglect or violate the provisions of the last preceding sub-section of this act, to make complaint of such neglect or violation to a police magistrate and it shall be competent for the police magistrate of any city to investigate and decide in a summary manner upon any such complaint made by the trustees, or any other person authorized by them, against any parent or guardian or person having the immediate charge of such children and to impose a fine not exceeding ten dollars for the first offence and double that penalty for each subsequent offence, which fine and penalty shall be enforced as provided in Section 84 of this Act."

Provisions were made in other sections of the draft bill for arrests without warrant by Attendance Officers of children between seven and sixteen years of age found running away from home, the officer delivering such children forthwith to either the parent or the school, or if in the case of incorrigible truants, to the detention home or bring them before a magistrate or justice of the Peace for commitment to a parental school. Children under ten, and girls under sixteen it was proposed to absolutely debar from employment in any street trade, while permits and badges for newsboys, and the limitation of the hours during which they may be engaged, were covered by other sections.

AMUSEMENTS

Animated Pictures.

The animated pictures will be shown at the Victoria theatre this afternoon and evening. The programme is a good one and has been the accasion of much favorable comment with the audiences who have seen it.

Pantages Theatre.

There will be just three more performances of the excellent vaudeville features now at the Pantages and speaking of superior vaudeville shows the Johnson street theatre has been delivering the goods for several weeks now, with the biggest of the series coming next week when the Great Haydens will appear—but that's next week and we only started to mention the fact that today's matinee at 3 o'clock and the two night sessions will be your last opportunity for seeing Don Gaybio, The Shetland Pony Girls, W. H. Mack and Mayme Moran, McDonald and Myron and the regular Pantage attractions.

David Warfield Monday

When David Warfield appears here on Monday, January 31, in "The Music Master," he will be supported by the same company originally selected by David Belasco. Mr. Belasco is about the only manager who sustains the same standard of excellence for his companies on tour as he establishes when his plays are produced in New York. Besides, Mr. Warfield's temperament is such that his own acting would suffer if he were supported by incompetent players, whose lack of artistic sympathy would make his own art impossible. Thus Mr. Belasco's policy of maintaining, as far as possible, his New York casts when his stars go on tour, meets with Mr. Warfield's hearty approval. Among the original members of Mr. Warfield's company is Miss Marie Bates who is still acting the picturesque role of Mrs. Houston, which she created.

Olga Nethersole

Olga Nethersole, who is chiefly remembered by the playgoing public of Canada at least by reason of her intense presentation of such alluring women as "Sapho" and her companion "Zaza," has evidently foresworn associating with these personages of "hectic charm but questionable discretion," and upon her return to Victoria on Thursday of next week will be seen in a more truly womanly characterization that is said to equally display her admitted strength as an emotional player of more than ordinary grace and earnestness. The play is William J. Hurlbutt's "The Writing on the Wall," a modern problem play (since tenement house congestion and reform is essentially a problem of the present) but not such a play as usually obtains such classification. Miss Nethersole's role is spoken of as widely apart from aught she has yet essayed —that of the devoted wife and mother, social reformer and champion of the oppressed, who bravely meets the crucial moment of her life with resignation and devotion for the consummation of her life's aim. The play itself deals strongly with vital issues, and the company is notable for intelligent efficiency, including such well known player folk as Harrison Hunter, Albert Perry, George Howell, Hamilton Mott, Slaine Mills, Joseph Wallace, Charlotte Tittell, Florence Huntington, Alice Gordon, Jane Stafford and Constance Raymond.

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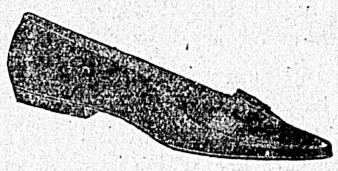
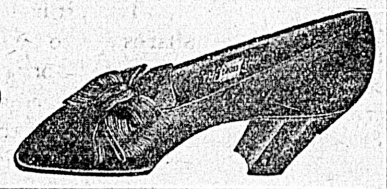

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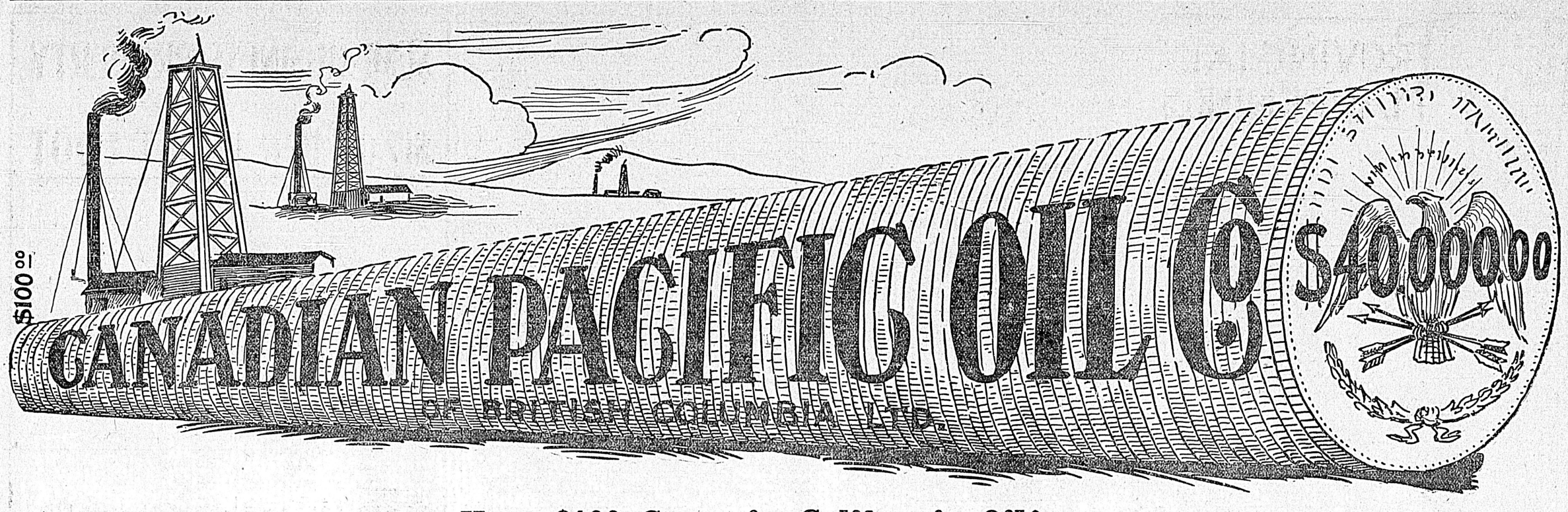

How $100 Grew in California Oil!

SINCE the days of Ulysses, the returning traveller has always found the old folks at home ready to believe his tallest stories. Credulity, so far as it appertains to any tale of an event transpiring remote from the seat of its unwinding, is a part of the human make-up.

For instance, everybody believed Dr. Cook and his finely-spun fib of the North Pole, until the Geographical Society at Copenhagen, which, upon his return from the icy North had post haste decked him with a medal of honor, subsequently kicked him out.

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In years gone by, the credulous world was fooled by the impossible "Kraken" sea-serpent yarn. This sea-serpent that "Kraken" had seen, somewhere, somehow—probably after a too frequent Scotch and soda—it was a mile and a half long. Nobody dared to discredit Locke's "Moon hoax," and the great dreamer, Edgar Allan Poe's story of Monck Mason's flying machine, which miraculously crossed the ocean in three days. Scientists themselves gobbled up the Cardiff Giant yarn, and the veteran showman P. T. Barnum fooled the public for years with his white elephant. Paris financiers paid out millions on mythical securities in Humbert's safe, and the wonder-loving world will doubtless give credence to the next fairy tale that comes along—but not right away.

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Blood, the oil man, who has traversed every part of the habitable globe where oil discoveries have been made, came to Victoria and Vancouver and told the people of the wonderful store houses of petroleum lying deep below the earth's surface in California. He talked, apparently sane, and rationally, before a party of business men in the Board of Trade rooms, Victoria, on the night of December 28th, and his story was so big and apparently far-fetched, that it passed the understanding of man. The public had been hoodwinked before. They were sceptical; they were conservative.

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But unlike the tales of former days, Blood's story was susceptible of proof. "Come to California with me," said Blood, in the Board of Trade Rooms, "I will show you."

There happened to be in the assemblage a man in whom the people of British Columbia had confidence—one who had lived in Victoria for the greater part of his life—Andrew Gray, a man of wealth and standing in the community, owner of the Marine Iron Works of the town. Mr. Gray was chosen as the man to ferret Blood's story.

It so happened that Blood was in British Columbia not to deceive, but to convince. He came to interest capital in the Canadian Pacific Oil Co. of B. C., Ltd. This Company has three separate and distinct tracts of land, 60 acres in Midway, California, now developing into the world's greatest oil field; 40 acres in Coalinga, a district which last year produced more crude oil than any like area on the globe, and 640 acres a little way apart from Coalinga.

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To use a metaphor, Mr. Gray went to California with a chip on his shoulders. He defied Blood to prove his wonderful tale. The two met in San Francisco, and in a Southern Pacific sleeper journeyed to Bakersfield, where, the next morning they took an automobile forty-five miles over the plains to Midway. Blood showed his guest over the field. He pointed out the big gushers—the St. Lawrence, which has to its credit a record of 4,000 barrels a day; the Santa Fe well, doing 2,000 barrels; the Crandall, 2,200 barrels; the Eagle Creek, 2,000 barrels.

Inch by inch, step by step, Blood led his charge over the flat, table-like territory with nothing but grease weed and sand dunes and oil derricks to vary the monotony. Finally Mr. Blood asked Mr. Gray to inspect the property of the Canadian Pacific Oil Co. of B. C., Ltd. He found it to be in the very heart of the district where the aforementioned wells and others drilling are within from ⅜ of a mile to a mile of the Company's 60 acres. Mr. Gray looked things over with the careful, critical eye of a detective.

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That night he took the train back to Victoria, but before leaving he wired the following message: "HAVE BEEN OVER THE OIL FIELDS. AM WELL SATISFIED WITH MY INVESTMENT AND THE PROSPECTS AHEAD, WHICH ARE BETTER THAN REPRESENTED TO ME." When Mr. Gray returned to town, he was asked if he had seen the holdings of the Company.

"I saw their 60 acres in Midway—that was enough."

This tells the story in a nutshell. If you are willing to take the word of Andrew Gray for this—what he said in this message, and what he has told his friends since his return from California—then this is your chance. Mr. Gray has not rushed headlong into this matter. He gave it careful thought, and with him, seeing is believing. Mr. Gray is Vice-President of this Company, and one of its Directors. The Company is incorporated in the Province of British Columbia, and everyone connected with it in an official capacity from stem to stern, save Mr. Blood, the field manager, is a native.

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WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

WANTED—GOOD HOME FOR TWO boys, 11 and 13. State price, etc. J. Morley, Maywood P. O.

WANTED—EXPRESS WAGON. MUST be nearly new. 465, Colonist.

WANT TO BUY LOTS IN PRINCE RUpert, B. C., in Sections 1, 5, 6, 7 and 8, direct from owners. Post Office Box 105, Prince Rupert, B. C.

WANTED—ROOM AND BOARD BY A young business woman. Reply, stating terms, Box 117 Colonist.

WANTED—TO LEASE BY THE GREAT Northwestern Telegraph Company, for term of years, approximately 1,000 square feet of ground floor space for use as public telegraph office, available about April 1. Address P. M. Fulton, Manager, giving location, terms, etc.

WANTED—TO PURCHASE, OLD MAhogany furniture, clocks, grandfather clocks, coins, stamps, etc. A. A. Aaronson, 85 Johnson street.

WANTED—SCRAP BRASS, COPPER, zinc, lead, cast iron, sacks, and all kinds of bottles and rubber; highest cash prices paid. Victoria Junk Agency, 1620 Store street. Phone 1336. a1

MISCELLANEOUS.

REMOVAL NOTICE—MRS. L. S. RINGland, of Fort St., has removed to 707 Yates St., next the Merchants Bank, corner of Douglas St.

A LADY IN DISTRESS WOULD FEEL grateful for a few articles of furniture cheap, to make a home. Box 469, Colonist.

CAMERON LUMBER CO., LTD., FURnish mill wood cut to 1-foot lengths delivered in city at $3.00 per double load. Phone 910.

AMERICAN TELEGRAPHONE CO.—WILL stockholders communicate with George Henry Little, general agent for B. C., to learn good news, before Monday evening. P. O. Box 335. Telephone L-1147.

REMOVAL NOTICE—THOMAS CATTERall, builder and general contractor, has removed to 921 Fort street, above Quadra. Tel. 820.

CHARLES BUDDEN, MINIATURE PAINTer, colorist, etc. Miniatures for brooches, lockets, etc. Photos colored, all sizes. Leave orders at J. Sommer's Art Gallery, Government St., where specimens of work may be seen. Residence 2751 Grahame St.

SOCIETY FOR PREVENTION OF CRUELty to Animals. Cases of cruelty report to Inspector Russel. Phone 1921.

PROF. VICTORIA BEST, THE PHENOMenal psychic and phrenologist, who has amazed and entirely baffled scientists and laymen through her demonstrations is now in your city. She gives independable advice on all business and matters of importance. Her aim is not to flatter you with impossible success, but to give you truthful guidance. The first step means everything—it decides your fate and fortune. Her fees are within the reach of everybody. Consultations daily at the King Edward hotel, Suite 2, Yates St. Office hours, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

TO RENT—LARGE STABLE, REAR OF 1118 Pandora. Apply same.

GARDEN WORK OF ALL KINDS, LOTS cleared, cellars dug and cemented, lawns made and tree pruning by contract or day work. N. G. Hop, Headman, P. O. Box 865.

ANTIQUE JEWELRY, DIAMONDS, ENgravings and Pictures bought and sold. Mrs. A. A. Aaronson, 85 Johnson street. j17

BAGGAGE PROMPTLY HANDLED AT current rates by the Victoria Transfer Co., Phone 129. Office open night and day.

GREEN HOUSES — FLAT BOTTOM boats, long ladders, steps, meat safe, dog houses in stock and made to order. Jones, Capital Carpenter and Jobbing Factory, 1003 Vancouver and Yates street.

R. H. KNEESHAW, MEDIUM AND healer; 734 Caledonia avenue. Sitting daily; circle Thursday night.

PROPERTY FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—48 ACRES; 20 ACRES UNder cultivation; 5 acres of fruit and chicken-run; 7 miles out, West Saanich road. Apply B. G. Haigh, Royal Oak.

A SNAP—20 ACRES, EASY CLEARED; 4 miles from the station at Shawnigan Lake. Apply 628, Humboldt St., Room 2.

FOR SALE—2-STORY HOUSE, 7 ROOMS, stable and outbuildings, modern conveniences, garden; lot 60x120; permanent sidewalk; close to 2 car lines (Oak Bay); within city limits; $3,750. Or with additional lot (in lawn and fruit trees) 60x120, $4,500. Terms. Box 453, Colonist.

OAK BAY—IDEAL HOME SITE, SHELtered corner lot 60x75; sea view; good soil. Box 451, Colonist.

FOR SALE CHEAP—CORNER LOT SUITable for store; cement sidewalks; three minutes from Douglas street car line. And nearly an acre on Lampson street; one of the finest building sites; commanding a splendid view all around. Terms if desired. Apply 463, Colonist office.

FOR SALE—NEW, MODERN, SEVENroomed house, near Oak Bay junction. Price $3,600. Immediate possession. 464, Colonist.

S. W. CORNER MENZIES AND SIMCOE Sts.; commanding view; residential section; 119 ft. on Simcoe; 65 ft. on Menzies St. Price $3,600. Terms. Shaw Real Estate Co., 707½ Yates St. P. O. Box 709.

EIGHT-ROOM HOUSE AND TEN LOTS on Caxton street; beautiful view. For quick sale only $2,500. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., Mahon Bldg.

FOR SALE—A STORY AND A HALF bungalow, just completed; piped for furnace and modern in every respect. Situated near the High School. Must be sold in few days. Will take $3,500 on easy terms. Worth $4,000 today. Apply P. O. Box 236.

YOUR ONLY CHANCE—IN THE COWIchan district, close to the bay and station, we are offering to the first buyer 50 acres with 15 under cultivation, good bottom land at $80 per acre. Also 75 acres, partly slashed and mostly very light bush, at $40 per acre. For terms and particulars apply Forde & Luscombe, Ardara Farm, Cowichan Bay.

FOR SALE—NEW 8-ROOMED BUNGAlow, situated on a large lot in the best residential part of James Bay, one block from Beacon Hill Park, No. 137 Government St.

FOR SALE—ON THE GORGE, 7-ROOMED bungalow on lot 165x200., $3,500; terms 406, Colonist.

A SNAP—TWO LARGE LOTS, CRAIGflower, near Dominion road; 57x187 and 54½x206 feet; on car line; nice cleared lots. Price for quick sale, $1,500 cash for the two. Apply the owner, Room 1, Promise block, or P. O. Box 715, city.

FOR QUICK SALE AT A SNAP—2 LOTS on Michigan St. $375 each. Apply Box 388, Colonist.

FOR SALE—6-ROOM HOUSE; MODERN; conveniences; large lot, 75x132; five minutes' walk from city hall. $1,500 cash down. Apply Box 388, Colonist.

FOR SALE—3-ROOM COTTAGE AND full size lot. Price $1,900. C. W. Hawkins, 863 Pandora Ave. Tel L-476.

CALIFORNIA BUNGALOW — LIVING room, dining room, two bedrooms, kitchen, reception hall, bath room, pantry, full basement, lot 50x132 fenced. On one of Victoria's newest and nicest streets off Oak Bay avenue. Price $3,100 complete, ready for tenant. No commission. Apply Owner, 299, Colonist.

FOR SALE—NEW FIVE ROOMED MODern cottage; Denman St. Price $1,900. Easy terms. Apply 540 Niagara St.

CONDENSED ADVERTISING

REAL ESTATE

E. A. HARRIS & CO.

615 Fort Street.

$5000—FORT, WEST OF JUNCTION, new seven room modern house; 62x131, corner lot; fine garden, well situated; splendid view. Easy terms.

OAK BAY AVENUE, NEAR JUNCTION, lot 50x120. $1,250.

MONTEREY AVE., LOT 100x125, NEW 8-roomed house. $6,000; terms.

JACKSON ST., ½ ACRE. $800; EASY terms.

$1000—2 LOTS ON FOUL BAY ROAD, near Cadboro Bay road. ½ cash.

SHAWNIGAN, NEAR LAKE, 100 ACRES, 7 cultivated. $2,000.

CADBORO BAY—59 ACRES, CULTIvated, overlooking bay. Price $41,000. Will cut up well.

THE COAST LOCATORS

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CHOICE LOT, YATES STREET, JUST above Cook; lot 60x120; 5-roomed house on this lot. This lot should be worth double the money asked in less than a year. For a few days only we can deliver this for $5,000. Don't wait. Investigate now.

HOWELL & CO., LTD.

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$4500—FORT ST., FOR QUICK SALE, between Vancouver and Cook streets, 6-roomed house, rented at $25 per month; well built, stone foundation. A snap at this price—$1,500 will handle. Ask for full particulars. H. P. Howell & Co., Ltd., 618 Trounce Ave.

E. C. B. BAGSHAWE & CO.

1212 Broad St. Phone No. 2271.

HOUSE BARGAINS.

RICHMOND AVENUE—EIGHT-ROOMED modern house, with two large lots, one a corner, between car lines. Only $5,250.

YATES STREET—FINE NEW SEVENroomed house near School street, lot 60x120. Only $5,250.

McCLURE ST.—TWO GOOD HOUSES, modern; 6-rooms in each; in good order; fruit trees and nice gardens; near Cook St. Only $6,000 for the two. Terms.

LOT BARGAINS.

SUPERIOR ST.—HIGH, DRY LOT, NEAR St. Lawrence, 60x120. Quick sale, only $1,550. Terms easy.

OSCAR ST., NEAR LINDEN, BEAUTIFUL high lot; fine view; one block from car; fruit trees. The cheapest lot in the Fairfield estate. $900.

CEDAR HILL RD.—FOUR LOTS ADjoining good level lots in garden, from $250 each.

A. WILLIAMS & CO., LTD.

704 Yates Street. Phone 1386.

SNAPS—70 ACRES, WITH COTTAGE, stable and chicken-house; 7 miles from city; nice location. Price for a few days $3,800.

80 ACRES ADJOINING THE ABOVE, $2,700.

5 ACRES, FIRST CLASS SOIL, CLEARED; good buildings. $4,750.

LOTS 50x120, GOOD SOIL, NICE LOCAtion. $165 each.

RARE CHANCE TO MAKE QUICK money—$15 cash and $5 per month, 6 per cent. interest, buys large lot 66x120 on Argyle street, Burrard Inlet, Vancouver. Tram line now building up to lots. Price $150 each.

THE CAPITAL CITY REALTY COMPANY

Real Estate, Financial and Insurance Agts. Phone 2162. Room 21. 618 Yates St.

$4300—9 LEVEL LOTS, TWO MINutes from the Douglas car; city water and electric light on the street. For 5 days we offer these lots at the above price on very easy terms.

$500 EACH—4 LOTS, ROSS BAY, ONE block from the car line Easy terms.

$700 EACH—BANK STREET, CLOSE to Fort, 3 lots 60x120. On terms.

STRATHCONA HILL, OVERLOOKING the Gorge waters, 42 lots 50x130, the choicest residential district in Victoria; in the city limits; surrounded by some of Victoria's beautiful homes. If you are looking for a money maker here it is. Price $15,000.

SCOTTISH REALTY CO.

Room 3, Challoner Block, Yates street, next bank. Phone 1403.

320 ACRES OF OLD CROWN GRANTED land carrying the mineral rights. This property is less than 4 miles from a station. River runs through this property. Good shooting and fishing. Price only $10 per acre.

MICHIGAN STREET — MODERN 10-roomed house on full sized lot. Price for quick sale only $6,500.

R. D. MacLACHLAN

Board of Trade Bldg. Opp. Post Office. Phone 2106.

$1850—TERMS ARRANGED. 2 LOTS 60x134 each; 4-room cottage; fruit trees; close in, Victoria West.

$2900—QUEEN'S AVE. 5-ROOM BUNgalow; all conveniences, including steam heat. $500 cash, balance $25 monthly.

HINKSON SIDDALL & SON

P. P. Box 177 New Grand Theatre Building. Tel. 869.

$3800—MODERN HOME, PANDORA Ave., above Fernwood.

$700—LOT 60x120, OAK BAY AVE.

$1800—4 1-5 ACRES, BURNSIDE RD.; cleared.

$7500—29 ACRES, SAANICH ARM, 12 miles out; ½ mile waterfront.

$800—LOT 60x120, COR. COOK AND Queen's Ave.

$400—12 ACRES, PARTLY SLASHED; ½ mile from Cobble Hill station.

$3600—60 ACRES, 1½ MILES FROM Somenos station; 8 acres cleared, 10 acres slashed. Log house, barn, etc.

D. McINTOSH

REAL ESTATE

Mahon Bldg. Phone 1749.

1 LOT ON FRANCES AVE, 60x120. ONLY $450.

2 LOTS ON HULTON STREET, CLOSE TO Oak Bay car. Only $1,300.

2 LOTS, BURLEITH PARK. $675 each.

CORNER, EDMONTON RD. AND SHELbourne St. $350.

CONDENSED ADVERTISING

REAL ESTATE—(Cont.)

THE GLOBE REALTY CO.

Room 7, Mahon Blk. 1112 Government St. Tel. 1613.

$300 BUYS A LOT ON SHAKESPEARE street. Easy terms.

$325 EACH FOR TWO LOTS IN VICtoria West, one block from school. Easy terms.

$325 FOR A FINE LOT ON DOUGLAS street, near car line.

$450 EACH FOR LOTS NEAR CORNER of Cook and Empress streets.

$600 BUYS ONE OF THOSE FINE full sized lots on Hillside avenue, near Government street.

$900 BUYS A HIGH DRY LOT, FAIRfield estate, near Cook. Easy terms.

For quick sales list your property with us.

HOUSES.

$1600 FOR A FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE on David street. Terms.

$1750 BUYS A BRAND NEW UP-TOdate house on James Bay. Good basement and fully modern.

$2000 FOR A 5-ROOMED HOUSE; Denman St.; fully modern; recently built. $300 cash, balance arranged.

$2850—MODERN 7-ROOMED HOUSE on Denman street; electric light and all conveniences; good garden. Easy terms.

$3000—GOOD 6-ROOMED 2-STORY dwelling on Croft street; fully modern; fine lawn and outbuildings.

$3100 BUYS A 5-ROOMED HOUSE ON James Bay; rents for $30 per month. Terms.

$6250 FOR A 2-STORY FRAME dwelling on Fort street, near Vancouver street; size of lot 60x120.

$2500—VERY EASY TERMS, MAKES you the owner of a bungalow, 5 rooms, modern. Snap.

$3000 BUYS A 2-STORY, 6-ROOM house on Battery St.; thoroughly modern; full sized lot.

HERE IS AN UNUSUALLY GOOD BUY—A money maker. A revenue bearer. A money doubler.—Four large modern houses facing on two streets between Douglas and Blanchard streets. Rental $95 per month. Submit an offer.

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Real Estate Agents. Trounce Ave.

$600—CORNER LOT ON FRANCES avenue.

$5000 ONLY FOR 4 SPLENDID LOTS and 7-roomed house on Quadra street.

$3800—MODERN BUNGALOW ON Pandora street.

$1200—WELL SITUATED LOT ON Pandora street.

$6000 FOR TWO HOUSES AND LOT on View street.

$1250 FOR TWO CORNER LOTS ON Montreal street.

$700 ONLY FOR ½ ACRE, CLEARED and fenced, on Alder St.

THE STUART ROBERTSON CO

Limited.
1212 Broad Street.

SAANICH—70 ACRES OF FINE FRUIT land, with sea frontage; $100 per acre.

DAVIE STREET—SIX-ROOM HOUSE and lot, $2,650.

FIRE INSURANCE WRITTEN IN THE Atlas Assurance Co., Ltd., of London, England.

TOLMIE AVE.—NINE ROOMED HOUSE 1 1-5 acres under cultivation: $5,000.

30 ACRES ON SOUTH END OF COWIchan Lake, logged, with 200 yards water frontage; for $45 per acre.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the municipality of Oak Bay at its next sitting for a transfer from us to Alexander Lipsky of the license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail on the premises known as the "Willows Hotel," situate on Fort street in said municipality.

Dated the 24th day of January, 1910.

WM. WINCHELL,
SAM'L H. M'CAIN.

VICTORIA BUILDING SOCIETY NO. 2.

The Annual General Meeting of the above Society will be held at the Secretary's Office, 617 Trounce Avenue, on Saturday, 29th January, 1910, at 8 p. m., for the following business:

To receive the Directors' and Auditors' Reports, the Secretary's Report and Balance Sheet, and such other business as may be brought before the meeting.

Election of Officers and Board of Management.

Sixteenth drawing for an appropriation.

See that your shares are in good standing.

By order
A. St. G. FLINT,
Secretary.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve notice of which was given in the Gazette of the 28th of October, 1909, reserving all foreshore abutting on the East Coast of Vancouver Island and extending from the head of Saanich Inlet to the 52nd parallel of north latitude, and all coal underlying the said foreshore, as well as the coal under the sea fronting the said foreshore, and extending out therefrom a distance of one mile, is cancelled.

ROBERT A. RENWICK,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands.
Lands Department, Victoria, B. C.,
5th January, 1910.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Tenders will be received on or before 4 p.m., of Tuesday, February 1st, 1910 by the Secretary of the Board of School Trustees, Victoria, for grading with gravel, 100 feet in front of the George Jay school on Chambers Street Victoria, B.C.

Drawings and specifications may be seen at the office of the undersigned

THOMAS HOOPER,
Architect.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

TENDERS are invited, both separate and bulk for all trades, except heating, plumbing and wiring, necessary in the erection and completion of a building for the Young Men's Christian Association, to be erected on the corner of View and Blanchard streets, Victoria. Tenders to be in by noon, the 8th day of February, 1910.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Plans and specifications and form of tender to be seen at the office of

H. S. GRIFFITH,
Architect.
1006 Government St., Victoria.

Mining Department.

EDITED BY WILLIAM BLAKEMORE, M.I.M.E. MEMBER CANADIAN MINING INSTITUTE, GREENWELL GOLD MEDALIST NORTH OF ENGLAND INSTITUTE OF MINING ENGINEERS 1904

Rich Northern District.

To the mining man one of the most striking features about the present conditions of development in Northern British Columbia is the way in which the mineral exploitation and to a certain extent, mine development, is out-pacing railroad construction. Four or five years ago, although the reports of prospectors and surveyors had even then placed it beyond a doubt that the Northern Interior and Coast Districts of British Columbia were possessed of enormous mineral wealth, it was a generally accepted opinion that nothing really adequate would be done towards opening up these mineral resources until the transportation question had been solved by at least partial construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway from the Coast eastwards, into the Interior. The enterprising energy displayed and the operations carried on by Mr. James Cronin and many other well known mining men, have long since proved this theory to be incorrect. The fact is that the mineral wealth of the new districts which will shortly be opened up by the Grand Trunk Pacific and its branch lines, is already known to be so great that it pays the miner of enterprise and foresight, who desires to make the most of his property and get the quickest returns, to go in ahead and get ready for the railway rather than wait for the railway to go in and get things ready for him. This is, after all, the right pioneering spirit but the indications are all in favor of its receiving a much bigger reward than that secured by the average pioneer of former times.

Some interesting sidelights are thrown upon these new mining possibilities in Northern British Columbia by Mr. U. H. Harris, who has just returned to Rossland from the Hazelton mining division, Omineca District, where he has been for the past three years. Mr. Harris spent the larger portion of his time while there prospecting and staking several mining claims, the most valuable of which are the Silver Cup and Sunrise groups. Both of these groups are located on Nine-Mile mountain, nine miles from Hazelton. Each group has ledges which range from 18 inches to 2 feet in width, carrying silver and lead ore, which assays from $132 to $254 a ton. Both groups have been bonded, the Silver Cup for $40,000 and the Sunrise for $70,000. The Silver Cup was bonded by J. A. Czizek, who in turn bonded it to a Prince Rupert syndicate. The Sunrise has been bonded to C. Somerville, who represents a Chicago syndicate. A contract has been let to drive a 200 foot adit along the main ledge of the Silver Cup, and the work is now in progress.

The intention of the management is to develop the property until the Grand Trunk Pacific is constructed as far as Hazelton, from which point shipments of their ore will then be made to Coast smelters. Mr. Harris owns half interest in both these groups, while the other half is the property of several others.

"The country, according to Mr. Harris, is very rich and extensive, and he is of the opinion that a large number of silver-lead properties will be developed in time in the vicinity of Hazelton. He thinks that this section of the country is similar to the Slocan, having a large number of high grade silver-lead properties. In addition to this, there are the well known extensive copper properties near the head of the Telkwa river, some of which are now being operated. Mr. Harris believes that the biggest town in the district will be close to the mouth of the Telkwa river.

When asked his opinion as to how soon the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway might be expected to be sufficiently far advanced to come in touch with these mining sections, and thereby facilitate shipment, Mr. Harris stated that the 120 miles of the railway should be completed to the Kitselas Canyon by the commencement of August. The second hundred miles will bring the road to a point eight miles beyond Hazelton, and it is confidently anticipated that this portion of the road will be finished inside of a year. Once construction is effected to this point, it will afford transportation facilities to a very extensive mining section and there will be a mining boom of considerable magnitude. There will be a larger number of prospectors in the district by spring.

The Greenwood-Phoenix Tunnel

Despatches from Greenwood announce that on the installation of the requisite plant, referred to in this column a short time ago, having been completed, work on the Greenwood-Phoenix tunnel has now been resumed, with two power drills operating. The progress of this extensive work is being followed with great interest by the residents of the Boundary mining camps, as it is an engineering task of very considerable magnitude, though certain to be of great benefit when completed.

Bauxite.

Another of the rare—or perhaps one should rather say unfamiliar—minerals, which possess a growing commercial value, and of whose appearance and constituents the prospector should therefore acquire some knowledge, is bauxite, of which the California Mining Bureau has recently received a number of fine specimens, according to an announcement just made by them, showing the characteristic appearance of the mineral in its different grades. A certificate of analysis accompanies each specimen. This exhibit should prove both interesting and instructive to the prospector and others who are engaged in seeking the rarer and less familiar minerals, and, in view of the new sections which are now being opened up in British Columbia it might be advisable to take some steps to secure similar specimens for permanent exhibit in the Provincial mineralogist's department.

Although the principal deposits of bauxite hitherto located on this continent have been confined to the states of Alabama and Arkansas, there is always a possibility that careful prospecting may discover deposits of this mineral. Bauxite does not present a very striking physical appearance and was, therefore, for years mistaken by the miners of the two states just mentioned for iron ore blossom, or fossiliferous iron ore, which it strongly resembles.

The mineral is a hydrate of aluminum, containing a small percentage of iron and silica. In this form it is especially valuable as an aluminum ore, for although aluminum is one of the most abundant elements that go to make up the composition of our globe, yet it occurs to a great extent combined with a large percentage of silica, and in this form has so far baffled the efforts of chemists to invent a cheap and practical method for its separation.

Bauxite takes its name from Baux, a village in the southern part of France, near which it was first found in 1821. It was not known as Bauxite, however, until 1868, when it was first used commercially as an ore of aluminum. The deposits in France are apparently residual deposits from the decay of basalt. The Arkansas deposits, on the other hand, occur as regularly stratified beds in rocks of the Tertiary age. They are found only near the contact with certain eruptive rocks, and their origin seems to be closely connected with the latter.

Slocan Mines Busy.

It is very gratifying to learn from an interview published by the Nelson Daily News with Mr. E. Jacobs, the energetic secretary of the Western Branch of the Canadian Mining Institute, that the mining situation in the Slocan generally presents a more promising appearance than for some years. Mr. Jacobs made his trip from Nelson to Kaslo and thence by Whitewater and Sandon to New Denver, Silverton and Slocan City in the Slocan Lake district, visiting the Whitewater mine, the Lucky Jim, the Slocan Star, the Richmond-Eureka, the Mollie Hughes, the Standard, the Van Roi and Silverton, besides receiving information at first hand regarding other properties which he had not time to visit.

At the Whitewater and Whitewater Deep there are between fifty and sixty men employed in the mines and on the concentrating plants, and development work and ore production are being regularly proceeded with. Further development work in the mine known as the Deep Mine, Limited, is being arranged for.

Shipping operations on the Lucky Jim mine are suspended for the time being, owing to the difficulties experienced by the railway in handling the frozen ore in course of shipment from mine to smelter, but development work is being pushed and good progress is being made in the driving of a tunnel to a lower level to give additional stoping ground.

The Rambler-Cariboo shows a marked improvement in its condition. Ore has been found down to the tenth level and several nice shoots of ore have also been opened in other parts of the mine, so that the normal production of about 100 tons per month can easily be regularly maintained. Just above the Rambler-Cariboo lies the Rio, on which levels are being driven to get under the ore shoots which are known to exist above, which object, it is expected, will be successfully attained next sumer.

The Payne, Slocan Star and Richmond-Eureka are the principal properties among some half dozen working in the neighborhood of Sandon, and will operate on a much larger scale as soon as weather conditions permit.

Near new Denver the well-known Mollie Hughes mine is producing ore in which native silver occurs freely. Mining here is being done on two levels.

At the Standard mine, Silverton comp, a further extension is being made of the drifts in Nos. 4, 5 and 6, levels. There is a fine showing of ore about fourteen feet in width, running high in silver and lead. The same owners possess the Emitly Edith in this camp, upon which work is progressing.

The Van Roi Mining company's mine and the Wakefield mill, which latter company is operating, have a force of 101 men at work and are carrying on extensive operations. The quantity of ore being milled daily varies from 140 to 160 tons.

The Silverton Mines, Ltd., a development company organized in England, is working the Hewitt and Lorna Doone group, and have some large shoots of ore already blocked out. Ruby silver and grey copper occur freely in the ore.

The Eastmont and Westmont property, situated on Ten-Mile creek, are being vigorously worked by the Ellis Silver Mining company with execellent showings ,and the Silverton Mines, Ltd., above referred to, is also driving a tunnel on the Hamilton property at Twelve-Mile creek, which has already encountered pockets of high-grade ore.

Births Marriages, Deaths

BORN.

NESBITT—On the 28th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. H. Nesbitt, a daughter.

DIED.

YOUNG—At St. Joseph's hospital, on the 22nd inst., Margaret, beloved wife of John S. Young, of 574 David street, Victoria, B. C., late of Lake district, Saanich, aged 58 years, a native of Edinburgh, Scotland.

She leaves to mourn her four sons and one daughter, viz.: Alexander W. Young, John Young, Malcolm W. Young, George Young and Ellen M. Young.

The funeral will take place on Monday, January 31st., at 2:15, from the B. C. Funeral Co's. chapel, 1016 Government street, and services will be conducted at 2:30 p. m., in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Douglas street, interment taking place in Ross Bay cemetery.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

NOTICE

In the Matter of the Estate of Edward Cody Johnson, Late of Victoria, British Columbia, Deceased.

All persons having claims against the estate of Edward Cody Johnson, late of Victoria, B. C., deceased, are requested to send particulars, duly verified, to Wootton & Goward, solicitors, etc., Bank of Montreal Chambers, Victoria, B. C., on or before the 22nd day of February, 1910.

Dated the 22nd day of January, 1910.

WOOTTON & GOWARD,
Bank of Montreal Chambers, Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for the Executor, Edward Ebenezer Cody Johnson.

TENDERS

Are invited up to January 31st, 1910, for the purchase of 250 acres (more or less) of very choice farming and fruit land, known as the "Keating Property." It is described on the map as Section 12 and part of Section 11, of Range 2 East, and Section 12 of Range 3 East of South Saanich. This property is crossed by the Victoria and Sidney railway and is about ten miles from Victoria. It is partly cleared and there is considerable valuable timber on the land. This property can easily be divided into 5 or 10 acre tracts, and is one of the most valuable estates in the Saanich peninsula.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Further particulars may be obtained by application to

GEO. H. SLUGGETT,
Sluggett P. O.

Or to J. P. WALLS,
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U. S. STOCKS AND PARIS DISASTER

Destruction of Capital May Affect Exchange Rates—Resumption of Normal Conditions in Market Expected

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The fever which which has kept the stock market disturbed this week was reduced today. Dealings contracted and the fluctuations narrowed. These are the usual symptoms of the re-establishment of normal conditions after a period of unsettlement, and they were welcomed for that reason.

The price movement was upwards in continuation of the recovery which had already set in late yesterday from the acute weakness of the early part of the day. The recovery brought a decrease of demand, followed by some reaction, but this too is normal.

Covering of over-extended shorts furnished the motive force in such recovery. The improvement owes much, no doubt, to the correction of unhealthy speculative conditions, which has been secured by the sharp liquidation since the first of the year, the weeding out of weak speculative accounts, the increased resources of the money market, and the consequent preparation to comply with new capital requirements on which the progress of enterprise is dependent.

There was some renewed consideration today of the probable effect on demand for capital of the financial losses involved in the French flood disasters. The destruction of capital is similar in kind, though not in degree to that by the San Francisco calamity, and international bankers admit the possibility of some influence on exchange rates. The large credit balances of the French nation with the world at large, gives it the ability to call home credits at need. Its own home resources are so abundant at the same time, that the process is expected to be gradual and without disturbance effect. The increasing abundance in the New York money market promises partial security from harmful effects. A gold movement from New York to Paris in the course of the next few weeks is conceded as possible.

The hopeful views expressed in the public utterances of James J. Hill and William Rockefeller were an influence towards the more cheerful feeling on the stock exchange. Account began to be taken of the improbability that the supreme court would have its decision in the American Tobacco case ready for handing down on Monday, from which time a three weeks' adjournment of the court is intended. The freedom in the interim from the weekly suspense, common when important cases are looked for, gives a promise or relief for the stock market, which the speculators were inclined to take into account. The professionalism into which the market was falling was indicated by Pennsylvania reaction in face of the general rise that stock has served as a sustaining force force yesterday against weakness. The copper too suffered something from the limitation of the steps taken towards the merger to the lines of ownership already common to the separate properties affected.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $2,797,000. U. S. bonds were unchanged on call.

Investigate Recent Pool.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—A transfer of several memberships on the local exchange is likely to result from the current inquiry into the collapse of the Hocking pool. The exchange has appointed a special committee of five members, Ernest Grossbeck, Francis L. Eames, H. K. Purruoy, J. T. Atterbury and F. L. Rodewald. This special committee has already full data from the committee on insolvencies regarding the suspension of Lathrop, Haskins & Co., K. M. Fisk & Co. and Robert Hall and Cross, and it is further directed to "investigate transactions in securities between any member of the exchange and all the firms who announced their inability to meet engagements on January 19th and 20th, whether said transactions were had at the time of said announcements or at any time prior thereto."

CHICAGO GRAIN LETTER.

(Furnished by F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—The first thing in order this morning was the good active buying which carried prices to the high point of the week, 112 for May and 102 for July. There was such general commission house offerings of wheat around these figures that two or three times later when the May price approached the top figure, the local trade would take advantage of the conditions and force a reaction. It was not until just before the close that the market showed its real weak spot for the day. Modern Miller gives hopeful account of the growing winter crop.

Corn—There was a bullish demonstration in corn during the morning helped by the upturn in wheat and the filling of quite strong orders by commission people. If this market is to have a heavy run of corn with present indifferent demand we believe the effect will be bearish.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	111⅜	112	111	111
July	101⅝	102	101¼	101¼
Sept.	97⅝	97¾	97⅛	97⅛
Corn—				
May	67	67⅝	66¾	66¾
July	67	67½	66⅝	66⅝
Sept.	67	67⅜	66½	66½
Oats—				
May	46⅞	47	46⅝	46⅝
July	43½	43⅞	43⅛	43⅛
Sept.	41	41⅞	40⅜	40⅝
Pork—				
Jan.	20.65	20.50	20.45	20.50
May	20.90	20.97	20.85	20.97
July	20.85	20.90	20.85	20.95
Lard—				
Jan.	11.80	11.80	11.77	11.80
May	11.67	11.75	11.67	11.72
July	11.67	11.67	11.60	11.65
Short Ribs—				
Jan.	11.70	11.70	11.50	11.50
May	11.40	11.42	11.35	11.40
July	11.40	11.40	11.30	11.37

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

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	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Allis-Chalmers	..	..	13
Amal. Copper	82½	80⅝	81¼
Am. Car Fdy.	65	64	64½
Am. Cot. Oil	61¾	60¼	60½
Amer. Ice	21⅞	21⅛	21½
Amer. Loco.	52½	51¾	51
Amer. Smelt.	92⅜	90½	91⅜
Amer. Sugar	122⅜	121	121½
Amer. Woolen	36½	35¾	35⅞
Anaconda	52	51	51⅛
Atlantic Coats	..	..	128
Atchison	116⅞	115¾	116
B. and O.	116	115¼	115½
B. R. T.	73	71⅞	72⅜
C. P. R.	180	179½	179¼
C. and O.	85	83½	83⅞
C. and A.	..	..	58¾
C. and G. W.	31¼	30¼	30⅞
do pfd	..	..	57⅞
C. M. and S. P.	148⅜	147¼	147⅞
do pfd	..	..	165½
Cont. Leather	41¾	39½	40½
C. F. and I.	39⅛	37⅝	38½
Colo. Southern	58	57¾	57¼
Con. Gas	144	144	142¾
Corn Products	..	..	19⅛
D. and R. G.	42½	42¼	41½
Distillers	32⅛	31	32
Erie	29⅝	29⅛	29¼
do 1s pfd	47	46⅝	46⅝
Gen. Elec.	..	..	151½
Gt. Nor. Ore	73¾	72⅜	73
Gt. Nor. pfd	137	134½	135⅝
Illinois Cent.	..	..	143
Inter-Met.	22	21½	21½
Int. Paper	..	..	13¼
Iowa Cent.	23⅞	22¾	23¼
do pfd	..	..	44
L. and N.	147	145	146
Mackay	..	..	88½
Mexican Cent.	27½	27⅛	27¼
M. S. P., S. S. M.	136½	135	135
do pfd	..	..	152¾
M. K. and T.	43⅜	41¾	42⅝
Missouri Pac.	69½	68⅝	69
Nat. Lead	83⅞	83½	83
N. Y. Cent.	120	118¾	118¾
N. Y. O. and W.	45¼	44½	44⅝
N. and W.	97¾	96½	97
Northern Pac.	137¾	136	136⅜
Pacific Coast	..	..	107
Pacific Mail	33½	33¼	33½
Pennsyl. Ry.	135	133⅜	133⅝
Peoples Gas	110¼	109⅞	109⅝
Pressed Steel	42⅞	42¼	42¼
Reading	158⅜	156¼	157½
do 1s pfd	..	..	91
Rep. Steel	37¾	37	37½
Rock Island	42	41⅛	41½
Sloss Steel	77½	76¼	77½
Southern Pac.	129⅛	127⅝	128⅛
Southern Ry.	29½	29	29¼
Tenn. Copper	35	34¼	35
Texas Pac.	31¼	31	31
Third Ave.	..	..	31¼
T. S. L. and W.	..	..	44
Twin City	..	..	112½
Union Pac.	187¼	185⅛	185¾
do pfd	..	..	99
U. S. Cast I. Pipe	..	..	27½
U. S. Steel	84½	82⅞	83⅝
do pfd	123¾	122½	123⅝
Utah Copper	52⅞	52	52½
Virginia Chem.	..	..	51½
Wabash	21¼	20⅞	21
do pfd	48½	47¾	47¾
West. Union	71	70½	70¾
Westinghouse	71	68¼	69½
Wisconsin Cent.	..	..	46½

Total sales, 804,000 shares.

MONTREAL STOCKS.

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Stock—	Bid.	Asked.
Bell Telephone	143	..
Detroit United Ry.	64	65
Dominion Coal, com.	86	86⅛
Dom. Iron and S., com.	67⅞	68
do pfd	135½	136
Lake of Woods, com.	140	143
Laurentide Paper	..	134
Mackay, com.	87	..
do pfd	77	78¼
Montreal Lt. and P.	134⅛	134⅝
Montreal St. Ry.	119½	120½
Montreal Telegraph	148⅞	149½
Nova Scotia Steel, com.	74⅜	74¾
do pfd	119½	..
Ogilvie Mlg., com.	138	138¼
R. and O. Nav. Co.	93	94
Sao Paulo Tram.	99¾	100
Toronto Ry. Co.	124¾	125
Twin City Rap. Trans.	112½	113
Penman	58⅝	59
do pfd	85	..
B. C. Packers	73	75
Banks—		
Commerce	198	199
Merchants	176½	176⅞
Molsons	207½	210
Nova Scotia	..	284¾
Quebec	123	123½
Royal	232½	233½
Union	142	..
Montreal	265	260

VANCOUVER STOCK EXCHANGE.

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Listed Stocks—	Bid.	Asked.
Alberta Canadian Oil	..	09
Alberta Coal and Coke	03	05
Int. Coal and Coke	75	77
Portland Canal Mining	23	25
Stewart M. and D. Co.	217	220
West. Coal and Coke	130	190
Burton Saw Works	90	110
Great West. Perm.	109	115
Unlisted Stocks—		
B. C. Perm. Loan	120	128
B. C. Trust Corp.	96	103
Dominion Trust Co.	95	120
Crown Certificates	87	94
Northern Certificates	93	..
American Canadian Oil	05¾	09
B. C. Copper Co.	07	07¾
Canadian Con. S. and R.	78	86
Canadian Northwest Oil.	18	25
Diamond Vale Coal	07	09
Granby	92	..
Nicola Valley Coal	55	..
Rambler Cariboo	11	15
Royal Collieries	23	26
S. A. Scrip	685	720
Ratcliffe	78	83

THE LOCAL MARKETS

Flour.

Royal Household, a bag	$ 2.00
Lake of the Woods, a bag	2.00
Royal Standard, a bag	2.00
Wild Rose, a bag	2.00
Robin Hood, per sack	2.00
Calgary, a bag	1.75
Snowflake, a bag	1.85
Drifted Snow, per sack	1.75
Three Star, per sack	1.80
Moffet's Best, per bag	1.85

Feedstuffs.

Bran, per 100 lbs.	1.60
Shorts, per 100 lbs.	1.70
Middlings, per 100 lbs.	1.80
Oats, per 100 lbs.	1.60
Feed Wheat, per 100 lbs.	2.25
Crushed Oats, per 100 lbs.	1.75
Barley, per 100 lbs.	1.90
Crushed Barley, per 100 lbs.	2.00
Chop Feed, per 100 lbs.	1.50
Whole Corn, per 100 lbs.	2.00
Cracked Corn, per 100 lbs.	2.05
Feed Cornmeal, per 100 lbs.	2.05
Hay, Fraser River, per ton	20.00
Hay, prairie	19.00

MEATS.

Beef, per lb.	.08@.18
Mutton, per lb.	.12½@.20
Veal, dressed, per lb.	.15@.18
Geese, dressed, per lb.	.18@.20
Guinea Fowls, each	1.00
Chickens, per lb.	.25@.30
Chickens, per lb., live weight	.12½@.15
Ducks, dressed, per lb.	.20@.25
Hams, per lb.	.18@.23

Vegetables.

Onions, 6 lbs for	.25
Sweet Potatoes, 3 lbs.	.25
Beets, per lb.	.03
Carrots, per lb.	.02
Parsley, per bunch	.05
Celery, per bunch	.10
Cucumbers	.25@.35
Potatoes, per sack	1.50
Cauliflower, each	.10@.25
Cabbage, new, per lb.	.03
Lettuce, a head	.05
Garlic, per lb.	.20

Dairy Produce.

Eggs—	
Fresh Island, per dozen	.40
Eastern Eggs, per dozen	.35
Cheese—	
Canadian, per lb.	.20
Neufchatel, each	.10
Cream, local, each	.10
Butter—	
Alberta, per lb.	.35
Best Dairy	.25@.30
Chilliwack Creamery, per lb.	.40
Victoria Creamery, per lb.	.45
Cowichan Creamery, per lb.	.45
Comox Creamery, per lb.	.45
Salt Spring Is. Creamery, lb.	.45

Fruit.

Lemons, per dozen	.25
Figs, cooking, per lb.	.08@.10
Local Apples, per box	1.75@2.50
Bananas, per dozen	.35
Figs, table, per lb.	.25
Raisins, table, per lb.	.25@.60
Pineapples, each	.35@.50
Quinces, 3 lbs.	.25

Case Against Alienist

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 28.—Dr. C. C. Wiley, the Thaw alienist, charged with larceny by Miss Dora Pedder, settled the case against him today before it came to a hearing, by returning the $1,400 worth of jewelry that the woman said she had loaned him two years ago. The jewels were found in a pawn shop. Dr. Wiley said the charges were brought through a misunderstanding. Miss Pedder withdrew her complaint.

White Slave Bill Passes.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The Mann White Slave bill was passed by a viva voce vote in the House without material amendment from the form in which it was reported from the committee on interstate and foreign commerce. The bill imposes a fine of not more than $5,000 and imprisonment for not more than five years upon any person who knowingly aids in the transportation of any person by the purchase of a ticket to be used in going to any place for the purpose of prostitution.

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NOTICE

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PRIVATE BILLS.

Copies of Bills, Petitions, and notices as published must be deposited with, and all fees paid to, the Clerk of the House, not later than 12th January, 1910.

Petitions for Bills will not be received by the House after 31st January, 1910.

Bills must be presented to the House not later than 10th February, 1910.

Reports from Standing Committee on Bills will not be received by the House after 17th February, 1910.

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OUR ANNUAL

February Furniture Sale

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Every piece of furniture included in this sale is of the very best quality in its respective grade, the finish and workmanship throughout being the best that skilled labor can execute. Every piece is new and up-to-date, and from time to time will be supplemented by new goods which we have specially purchased. Our buyer, who is at present on a purchasing trip, visited most of the principal furniture centres, and was fortunate indeed in being able to pick up some splendid values.

These are beginning to arrive now, and, as we have said before, will be opened up and put on sale as quickly as possible, thereby adding much interest, which tends to keep up the buying enthusiasm throughout the month. Above all, read our daily announcements, and keep a close watch on our windows, as it means economy.

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